



BERGVLIET PRIMARY SCHOOL



26 JUNE 2026
TERM TWO REFLECTION
LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The second term has been filled with many memorable experiences and opportunities for our learners and families. These included parent information evenings focusing on study skills for our Intermediate and Senior Phase learners, as well as an informative presentation for Grade 6 and Grade 7 parents on the responsible use of social media.

We also enjoyed a wide variety of activities and events, including educational outings, the Parent Paint and Sip evening, our Annual Music Concert, Sports Derby Day, Pyjama Day, Africa Day celebrations and much more.

At the close of this term, we bid farewell to a valued member of our staff, Miss Abrahams, our school librarian. We thank her for the contribution she has made to our school community and for the care and dedication she has shown to our learners during her time at Bergvliet Primary School. We wish her every success and happiness as she embarks on the next chapter of her journey.

This week, we hosted our Parent-Educator meetings, which provided an important opportunity to discuss learners' academic progress. Thank you to all the parents and guardians who attended these meetings and who continue to work alongside us in supporting their children's education.

Term 2 reports were distributed electronically today. We congratulate all learners who achieved pleasing results this term. Where educators have identified areas requiring improvement, whether academically or behaviourally, we encourage parents and learners to work together to address these concerns. With commitment, consistency and continued support, meaningful progress can be made in the terms ahead.

To our staff, thank you for your dedication and unwavering commitment throughout the term. The care, support and encouragement you provide our learners each day, both inside and outside the classroom, make a meaningful difference. Your hard work and willingness to go the extra mile are sincerely appreciated.

I would also like to express my sincere appreciation to all our parents and guardians for your continued support, encouragement and involvement in the life of our school. The partnership between home and school plays a vital role in the growth and success of our learners, and we are grateful for the trust you place in us.

As we head into the holiday break, I wish all our learners, parents, guardians and staff a safe, restful and happy holiday. May this be a time to relax, enjoy the company of family and friends, and make special memories together.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday, 21 July 2026, refreshed and ready for the exciting opportunities that lie ahead.

Warm regards

B.M. HILL
PRINCIPAL

UPCOMING 2026 EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

Please note that the dates below are subject to change, any updates will be communicated timeously.

UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

DATE	EVENT
Monday, 29 June 2026 to Monday, 20 July 2026	Bergvliet Primary School Holiday Care Monday to Friday, from 07:30 to 18:00.
Tuesday, 21 July 2026	Start of Term Three [Normal Dismissal times apply]
Saturday, 25 July 2026	Hockey Tournament at Bergvliet Primary School
Saturday, 01 August 2026	Netball and Soccer Tournament at Bergvliet Primary School

Learner Departures for 2027

As we prepare for the 2027 academic year, we kindly ask parents and guardians to inform the School Office as soon as possible if their child will not be returning to Bergvliet Primary School next year.

Please notify Ms Du Plessis via email at uduplessis@bergvlietprimary.co.za.
Your early communication greatly assists with planning and enrolment processes.

Please note that Bergvliet Primary School's Grade R and Grade 1 classes for 2027 are full to capacity.

Community Call for Design and Planning Support

Bergvliet Primary School's SGB is exploring exciting future upgrades to our school campus, including improvements to the Children's Way entrance with a permanent security hut, a covered library waiting area for rainy days, and possible enhancements to the Peace Quad.

We are inviting parents, guardians and community members with experience in architecture, engineering, construction, drafting or design planning to assist with conceptual drawings, planning ideas and technical guidance as we begin this process.

If you are able to assist, please contact Ms Katharina Gensicke at kgensicke@bergvlietprimary.co.za.
We would love to draw on the talent and expertise within our Bergvliet Primary School community.



SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD SA



At Bergvliet Primary School, we have researched, consulted, discussed and carefully considered the impact of smartphones and social media on children. We have also established clear school-based boundaries to help protect our learners during the school day.

Now, we believe it is time for urgent and united action.

Smartphone Free Childhood South Africa (SFC SA) is calling on parents and guardians to join a growing national movement of over 400 schools committed to protecting childhood.

This movement encourages families to delay smartphones and social media, support smartphone-free schools, safeguard educational technology and advocate for stronger policies that place children's wellbeing first.

We **strongly encourage** Bergvliet Primary School parents and guardians to consider **joining SFC South Africa** and starting a parent pact within our school community.

Together, we can send a clear and powerful message:

Let us press pause on smartphones until our children are older.

This is not only a school matter, it is a community matter. The decisions we make now will help shape a safer, healthier and more connected childhood for our children.

Parents and guardians, the power is in your hands.

For more information, please visit the below social media pages.



www.sfc-sa.co.za

info@sfc-sa.co.za

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MANDELA DAY DONATIONS DRIVE: MAKING A DIFFERENCE TOGETHER

We encourage our Bergvliet Primary School community to take part in our Mandela Day Drive by collecting items in support of those in need.

Donations can be collected during the school holidays and brought to school when we return for Term 3.

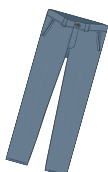
Mandela Day reminds us that even small acts of kindness can make a meaningful difference.

During the holidays, families are encouraged to collect the following items:

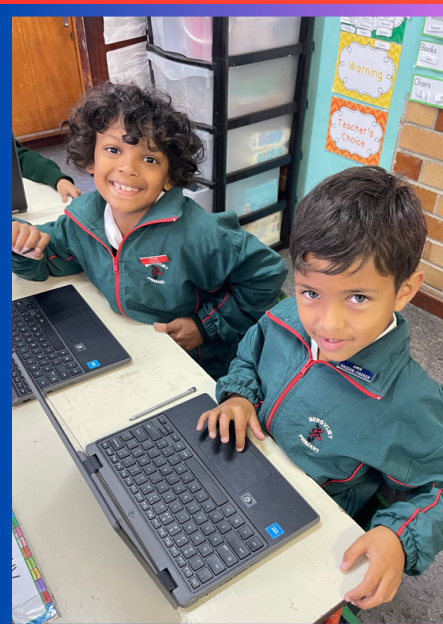
- **Non-perishable food items, especially cans, spreads and dry soup ingredients**, which will be donated to The Haven Night Shelter.
- **Men's clothing, shoes and boys' clothing**, which will be donated to U-Turn.

We encourage all our families to get involved where possible. By giving what we can, we help restore dignity, offer support and show care to those in our wider community.

Together, let us honour the spirit of Mandela Day through generosity, compassion and action.



CHROMEBOOKS BRING READING TO LIFE IN GRADE ONE



Our Grade 1 learners have been enjoying an exciting and interactive reading journey through the use of Chromebooks in the classroom.

With age-appropriate reading programmes, digital books, phonics activities and interactive stories, learners are developing important literacy skills in a fun and engaging way.

The use of technology allows each child to practise at their own pace, while building confidence in recognising letters, sounds and words.

It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm grow as they explore stories, improve their pronunciation and develop a love for reading.

We are proud of the progress our Grade 1 learners are making and look forward to seeing their reading skills continue to flourish.

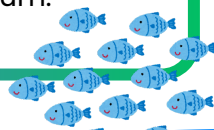


GRADE 2 EXPLORES THE AQUARIUM



On Wednesday I went for the first time on a bus to the Two Oceans Aquarium and I saw a room that was dark and there were glowing jellyfish. I saw sharks there and lots of penguins. We got to touch a sea star and we saw frogs. When we went back on the bus, I liked the view out of the window and when it was break time, I was thinking about the Aquarium about the sea animals. I liked the Two Oceans Aquarium.

- Rania Ling 2M -



MISS MARCUS' CLASS MAKES A SPLASH

A few special moments from Miss Marcus' Grade 2 class during their exciting aquarium outing.



On Wednesday my class and I went to the Aquarium and we went on a bus. We first went to see the fish. We went to the sharks and I saw a big fish. Then we went to the penguins and people fed the penguins and then there were divers in the water. We went to touch the seastar and then we went to go see the jellyfish. We then went back to school and then we played until home time.

- Daniel Cooper 2M -

In the morning I was so excited for the Aquarium. When I got to school, Miss Marcus put us in groups. I was with Jehan and Hannah. We went on a big bus. When we got to the aquarium we had a little time to eat. When we were done we went to go see the fish. After that we went to see the sharks. We took a photo. Then we went to go see the penguins. When we went to the penguins, it stunk in there. Then we saw the jellyfish. We got stuck in a maze with mirrors. When we got out of the maze, we saw some other creatures. Then we saw the stingrays. Two divers were feeding the stingrays. Then we ate our food. The birds were eating our food. Then we went onto the bus. Jehan and I sat down on the bus and we went back to school. And then we all went home.

- Luna Daniels 2M -

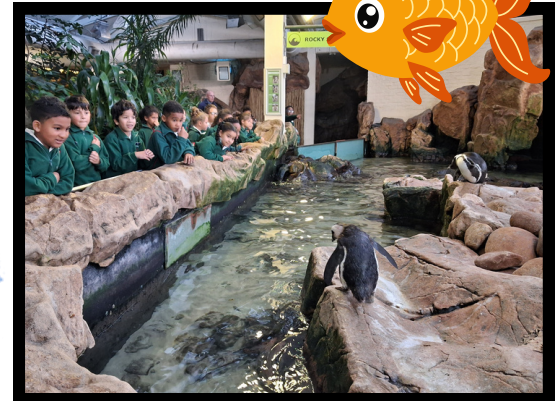
GRADE 2 EXPLORES THE AQUARIUM

On Wednesday all the Grade 2's went to the Two Oceans Aquarium. Before we got on the bus, yes we got on a bus, but before we got on the bus we greeted our teacher and went inside. Then Mrs Tester did the register to see if our buddy is at school for the big day! We all went to the bathroom. We all got on the bus. My buddy was Bella-Rose! We sat at the back of the bus. I was in Mr Hill's group! When we got there, there was a man speaking to Mrs Tester while we ate our quick snack. Then the man told the rules and we said it with him. Then we went into a classroom and we touched a sea star, sea anemone and sea urchin. We also saw sharks and jellyfish. But the sad thing was no eating or drinking. We also ate outside the aquarium. We took a photo by the clownfish.

- Micah Corker 2T -

MRS TESTER'S CLASS DIVES INTO DISCOVERY

A snapshot of Mrs Tester's Grade 2 class exploring marine life and learning beyond the classroom.



The whole of grade two is going to the aquarium! I am so excited! First Mrs Tester did the register. Then we all went to the bathroom. We walked to the bus. When we were inside the bus, Ethan was next to me looking outside the window. Yashil was on the other side of the bus. The ride was long. Then finally the bus stopped. We got to the aquarium. We saw eagle rays and sharks and then there was a class where we learnt about the ocean and we touched sea animals. Then when the trip was done we went back to class.

We got extra break. I went home early. It was a great day.

- Freya Scarborough 2T -

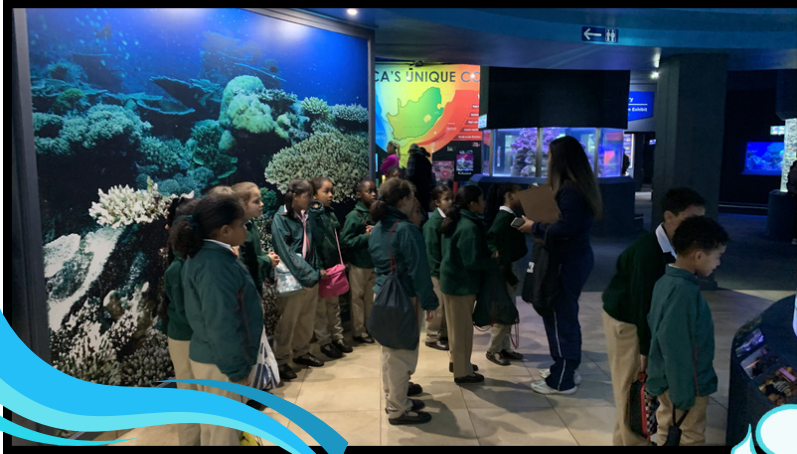
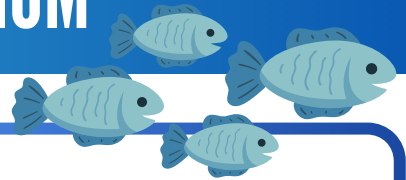
We went into class first thing. We checked if everyone had their supplies. We took a quick toilet break. Then we were going to get onto the bus. I felt so excited. It took about 30 minutes to get there. When we got there we had a quick snack. We saw lots of colourful fish. We saw a leopard shark. I also got to touch a few sea creatures. I also saw people feed the penguins. After that we went outside to eat our lunch. Then we went back to school.

We had a bit of a break. Then we went home.

- Ali Ebrahim 2T -



GRADE 2 EXPLORES THE AQUARIUM



At the Aquarium, I saw sharks. I saw a starfish. I saw an upside down jellyfish. I saw a school of fish. I saw penguins. I saw an anchor. I saw a sea anemone. I saw a big fish tank. I saw a big turtle and clown fish. I saw some colourful jellyfish. I saw frogs. I saw a very big fish.

- Leela Daniels 2C -

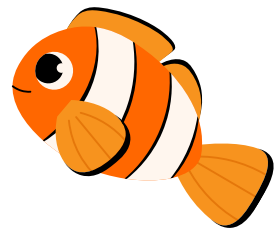
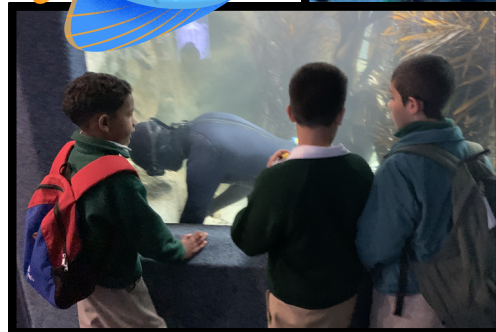
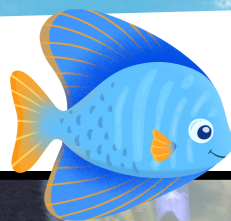


I love going to the Aquarium. In fact, I went yesterday. I saw loads of different types of fish. My favourite was the moon jellies and it was my first time on a bus. It was so much fun.

- Logan Mostert 2C -

MISS CASWELL'S CLASS EXPLORES THE OCEAN WORLD

Some lovely highlights from Miss Caswell's Grade 2 class and their aquarium adventure.



I loved going to the Aquarium! It was fun, crazy and scary at the same time. My favourite part was seeing the cool sharks in the tank and the cool fish. The sharks gave me a big fright!

- Nathan Champken 2C -



We went to the Aquarium. I didn't touch the sea anemone because I was scared. I loved the tunnel with fish. I saw a beautiful orange-shelled turtle. It was fascinating when I saw the sandfish!

- Riley Moore 2C -

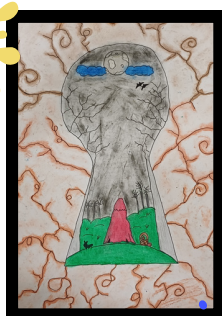
ART DEPARTMENT: A TERM OF COLOUR, CREATIVITY AND IMAGINATION

Our learners have had a wonderfully creative term in the Art Department, exploring a wide range of techniques, themes and materials. From fairytale-inspired artworks to clay creations and colourful mixed-media projects, each grade has produced beautiful and imaginative pieces.

Grade 3 learners created Hansel and Gretel houses to tie in with this year's production theme. They explored shape, colour and line, while also focusing on contrast and variety. They have also started their Term 3 project by learning how to draw a gecko and experimenting with spray bottles, Lego printing, bubble paint, cotton wool dot-making and neon acrylic paint. The learners had great fun getting messy, and we look forward to seeing the final results next term.



Grade 4 learners created Patterned Castles, focusing on line, colour, variety and unity. They used kokis and watercolour paint to complete their artworks. They have also begun their Term 3 project by blending colours to create water and learning how to draw a bird from a top-view perspective. We are excited to see their completed pieces.



Grade 5 learners created impressive clay dragon eyes, exploring shape, line, colour, pattern, proportion and movement. They used acrylic paint to decorate their pieces and learnt how to seal their artwork with polyurethane. They also created 3D apples using acrylic paint, sticks and leaves. For their Term 3 project, they have started creating textured bunnies using short repeated lines with white pastel on black paper.



Grade 6 learners created their own keyhole art inspired by the fairytale Little Red Riding Hood. They explored line, colour, space and texture, while also focusing on variety, unity, movement and contrast. Oil pastels were used as the medium for this term's work. They have also begun their Term 3 project, creating creepy portraits inspired by Tim Burton. The creativity shown so far has been outstanding.

Grade 7 learners explored complementary colours by creating a citrus slice with a patterned background. They focused on line, colour, shape, value, unity and balance, using oil pastels and watercolour paint. They also explored the work of surrealist artist Salvador Dalí and wrote their very first art theory paper, which went very well. Congratulations to our Grade 7 learners. They have also started their Term 3 project by painting abstract shapes with watercolour paint, which will develop into a layered collage portrait using markers, sketching and papier-mâché.



It has been a term filled with imagination, experimentation and creativity. We are incredibly proud of our learners and cannot wait to see their Term 3 projects come to life.

NEW AFTER-SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMMES

To provide greater flexibility for Bergvliet Primary School families, two new After-School Care programmes will be introduced on a trial basis from Term 3, 2026.

The two new programmes are:

Part-Time After-School Care

Emergency After-School Care

These programmes are designed to complement our existing Full-Time After-School Care Programme, which remains the most cost-effective option for families requiring regular After-School Care.

FULL-TIME AFTER-SCHOOL CARE

Our Most Cost-Effective Option

Includes:

Monday to Friday until 18:00
Unlimited attendance
Holiday Care included
Flexible attendance throughout the week

Cost:

From R1,600 per month

Ideal for families requiring regular After-School Care.

PART-TIME AFTER-SCHOOL CARE

Parents and guardians may apply for:

One day per week
Two days per week
Three days per week

- Key Information:
- **Cost: R140 per attendance day**
- Maximum of 10 learners per day Monday to Friday
- Billed separately from school fees
- Subject to available capacity
- Subject to the learner's school fee account being in good standing
- Holiday Care not included

EMERGENCY AFTER-SCHOOL CARE

Designed for genuine emergency situations, including:

Unexpected work commitments, Delayed meetings, Medical appointments, Transport delays, Family emergencies

Key Information:

- **Cost: R100 per learner per day**
- Available to all Bergvliet Primary School learners
- Maximum of 10 learners per day
- Maximum of four uses per learner per month
- Subject to available capacity
- Allocated on a first-come, first-served basis
- Holiday Care not included

IMPORTANT TO KNOW

- All After-School Care options operate on an application and approval basis.
- Submission of an application does not guarantee placement.
- Completion of a Google Form does not mean that a learner has been accepted into a programme.
- Payment does not guarantee placement.
- Learners may only attend once formal confirmation of acceptance has been received from the school.
- Applications remain subject to programme requirements and available capacity.

NEW

AFTER-SCHOOL CARE COST COMPARISON

PROGRAMME	COST
Full-Time After-School Care	From R1,600 per month (2026 cost)
Part-Time (1 day per week)	Approximately R560 per month
Part-Time (2 days per week)	Approximately R1,120 per month
Part-Time (3 days per week)	Approximately R1,680 per month
Emergency After-School Care	R100 per attendance day

MORE INFORMATION

- The new Part-Time After-School Care and Emergency After-School Care programmes will be implemented from Term 3, 2026.
- A detailed After-School Care Programme Structure Document, together with the parent communication, will be:
 - Attached to the parent email communication.
 - Made available on the Bergvliet Primary School website as soon as possible.
- Application links for both new programmes will be shared closer to the implementation date at the start of Term 3.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

PLEASE CONTACT:

Ms Gensicke (After-School Care Convener)
kgensicke@bergvlietprimary.co.za

General Enquiries and Queries
afterschoolcare@bergvlietprimary.co.za



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Advertising Options:

- Sponsor a page
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- A5 landscape advert – **R800**
- A4 portrait advert – **R1300**



Deadline: 23 September 2026



To book your spot, email

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ADVERTISING

Southern Cross Church is hosting their annual Holiday Club at Bergvliet High School from **14–17 July, for kids in Grade R–6 – and it's completely FREE!**

Over four days, kids will go on a Bible story adventure filled with drama, games, singing and crafts, themed around "Nehemiah: God's Big Build" – a great way to make new friends, have fun and explore some big ideas together.

Got little ones under 5? Parents and preschoolers can sign up for a condensed programme on the Friday.

Spaces are filling up fast – **sign up by scanning the QR code on the poster, or contact Hannah at hannah@scc.org.za.** We hope to see you there!

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