



BERGVLIET PRIMARY SCHOOL



21 AUGUST 2026

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,



I had the pleasure of attending the JanArte Prestige Music Concert at Jan van Riebeeck High School on Tuesday evening, 18 August 2026. Our String Ensemble recently took part in the Jan van Riebeeck Eisteddfod, where they achieved an outstanding 90%. Their performance earned them an invitation to perform at the JanArte Prestige Concert.



It was a real pleasure to watch our young musicians perform. They played with confidence and showed just how much hard work and practice goes into preparing for an occasion such as this. We are very proud of them and the commitment they have shown to their music.



Thank you to Mrs Elliott, Mrs Gordon and Mr Smit for the time and effort they put into preparing our learners and for encouraging them to develop their musical talents. We also appreciate the support of the parents and guardians who make it possible for our learners to participate in these opportunities.



Thank you to all the parents and guardians who attended our Parenting Conversations on Tuesday evening, 18 August 2026. Mrs Lamoral and Mrs Erasmus led a valuable and open discussion, and we appreciate the time parents took to join us. These conversations are an important part of the partnership between home and school.



As Women's Month draws to a close, we take a moment to reflect on this year's theme, "Empowered Women Empower The Nation."



Women's Month gives us an opportunity to recognise the many women who contribute to our families, our school and our communities. It is also a reminder of the importance of encouraging our young girls to have confidence in themselves, to work hard and to make the most of the opportunities available to them.



We are fortunate to have so many women in our school community who play an important role in the lives of our learners. We thank our female staff members, parents and guardians for the care, guidance and support they provide each day.



As we bring Women's Month to an end, let us continue to encourage our girls to believe in themselves, to find their voices and to understand that they have an important contribution to make. Empowering young people today helps to build a stronger community and a better future for all of us.



We have now reached the halfway point of the term, and our assessments are well underway. We ask that learners keep track of what is coming up each week and make sure that they are prepared for their assessments and other tasks. Parents and guardians can assist by checking the weekly assessment schedule with their children and helping them to stay organised.



A communication was sent out earlier this week regarding a few incidents in our changing rooms. We kindly ask parents and guardians to reinforce this message at home by reminding learners to respect our shared facilities and to treat one another with kindness, consideration and respect at all times.





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LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL CONTINUED



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YEARS

This month also brings some changes within our staff community.

After 20 years of service as the Tuckshop Convenor at Bergvliet Primary School, we will be saying a very special farewell to Mrs Kellerman, who is retiring and emigrating with her husband to Scotland to be with her two sons.

Mrs Kellerman's connection to Bergvliet Primary School began long before she officially took on the role of Tuckshop Convenor. She was first a parent at the school, with both of her children attending Bergvliet Primary School, and she was an active member of the Bergvliet Parents Association (BPA) for many years.



During her time as Tuckshop Convenor, Mrs Kellerman played an important role in shaping the tuckshop into what it is today. She pioneered the introduction of the Healthy Tuckshop and was also responsible for introducing cooked meals, continually looking for ways to provide learners with nutritious, affordable and enjoyable food options.



What has always stood out most, however, is Mrs Kellerman's heart for our learners. She has a genuine soft spot for the children and has always gone out of her way to ensure that every learner is cared for. Her selflessness, kindness and willingness to help have been evident in the way that she treats every child as if her own.



Mrs Kellerman's warmth and dedication will be greatly missed. We thank her for 20 years of exceptional service and wish her every happiness in her retirement and new chapter in Scotland.

THANK YOU

Following the appropriate recruitment process, we are pleased to announce that Mrs Cockbill has been appointed as our new Tuckshop Convenor. We congratulate Mrs Cockbill on her successful appointment and wish her every success as she takes on her new role.

We will also be saying farewell to Ms Gensicke, our Marketing, Events and Communications Coordinator, at the end of August 2026. We thank her for her contributions to Bergvliet Primary School and for the work she has done in supporting our school communications, events and wider school community. We wish her every success and happiness in her new chapter.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of our school and our learners.

Warm regards

B.M. HILL
PRINCIPAL

Congratulations!



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
Saturday, 22 August 2026	Cape Town Choir Eisteddfod: Junior and Senior Choir
Monday, 24 August 2026	Hooked on Books [Lus Vir Lees] - Grade 1 to Grade 7
Monday, 24 August to Thursday, 27 August 2026	Dictionary Competition
Friday, 28 August 2026	Library Week: Disney Character Dress Up [R10 Civvies - payable on Karri]
Friday, 28 August 2026	BPA Bingo Evening [17:30 for 18:00 - R100 per ticket - Available on Karri]
Wednesday, 02 September – Friday, 04 September 2026	Grade 5 SOS Camp
Thursday, 10 September 2026	Bergvliet Primary School Open Day [15:00 - 19:00]

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.

**PLEASE CONTINUE COLLECTING BREAD TAGS TO
HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF FUNDING A
WHEELCHAIR.**



JANARTE EISTEDDFOD AND PRESTIGE EVENING



We are incredibly proud to share that the Bergvliet Primary School String Ensemble was awarded a Diploma, achieving 90% and above, at the JanARTE Eisteddfod, held at Jan van Riebeeck High School on 6 August 2026.

The JanARTE Eisteddfod is a wonderful celebration of the arts, bringing together young performers across a variety of disciplines, including poetry and music. It provides learners with an opportunity to showcase their talent, creativity and dedication while celebrating the performing arts alongside learners from other schools.

Following their outstanding achievement at the Eisteddfod, the Bergvliet Primary School String Ensemble was selected as one of the top-achieving groups to perform at the prestigious JanARTE Prestige Evening on 18 August 2026.

Our String Ensemble received the special honour of opening the Prestige Evening, setting the tone for a memorable celebration featuring some of the top performers from the Eisteddfod.

Mr and Mrs Hill were also invited guests at the evening, making this special occasion even more memorable for the Bergvliet Primary School community.

The String Ensemble's performance was exceptionally well received and, following their participation and achievement, Bergvliet Primary School has been invited to participate in future annual JanARTE Eisteddfods.

Receiving a Diploma, being selected for the Prestige Evening, opening the evening's programme and receiving an invitation to participate in future annual Eisteddfods are wonderful acknowledgements of the talent, commitment and hard work of our String Ensemble, as well as the high standard of music fostered by our Music Department.

Congratulations to our String Ensemble on this exceptional achievement! We are immensely proud of the way in which our learners represented Bergvliet Primary School with confidence, professionalism and musical excellence.



MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

Western Cape Virtual Eisteddfod 2026

We were delighted to receive the results of the Western Cape Virtual Eisteddfod. Bergvliet Primary School achieved outstanding results across our individual piano, violin, guitar, cello and recorder entries, with 7 Bronze, 18 Silver, 13 Gold and 3 Cum Laude awards.

Our ensembles also performed exceptionally well. The Junior Orchestra, Junior School Recorder Ensemble and String Ensemble each received Gold, while both our Senior Primary Choir and Junior Primary Choir achieved Cum Laude.

A huge congratulations to all our musicians for the dedication and preparation that went into their individual entries, and to our choirs and ensembles for the commitment and teamwork demonstrated in their recordings and performances.

Western Cape Virtual Eisteddfod 2026 Combined Results

Bronze, 70–79%

Naa'il Ben Allou, Violin, 75% • Kanatshi Muanda, Violin, 75% • Kanatshi Muanda & Aydin Booyse, Violin Duet, 78% • Aydin Booyse, Violin, 78% • Faith Fisher, Violin, 78% • Gemma-Lee Bissolati, Violin, 78% • Maya Ogle, Violin, 78%

Silver, 80–86%

Isabella Alexander, Piano, 80% • Sarah-Jane Govin, Violin, 80% • Micaiah Abrahams, Violin, 80% • Lily van Schalkwyk, Violin, 80% • Jethro Pietersen, Violin, 80% • Zakariyya Gabier, Violin, 80% • Heather Morris, Violin, 82% • Samuel Els, Piano, 83% • Troy Adams, Piano, 85% • Emily-Rose Young, Violin, 85% • Adam Fransman, Piano, 85% • Carter Marais, Piano, 85% • Emily Daseman, Cello, 85% • Isabella Theron, Piano, 85% • Mia van Wyk, Recorder, 85% • Mikayla Pieterse, Piano, 85% • Quinn O'Connor, Piano, 85% • Adam Benjamin, Piano, 86%

Gold, 87–94%

Connor Clayford, Piano, 87% • Ari Levendal, Piano, 87% • Kenziya Mosala, Piano, 87% • Lola Yorke, Piano, 87% • Riley McKinnon, Piano, 87% • Alex Dearham, Violin, 87% • Tobi Davids, Piano, 87% • Taylor Daniels, Violin, 87% • Jonah Petersen, Piano, 88% • Aydin Booyse, Guitar, 88% • Chloe Coetzee, Piano, 89% • Morgan Benjamin, Violin, 89% • Reece Meyer, Piano, 93%

Cum Laude, 95% and above

Carter Marais, Cello, 95% • Grace Davids, Violin, 95% • Adrienne April, Piano, 96%

Ensembles, Orchestras & Choirs

Bergvliet Primary Junior Orchestra, 87%, Gold • Junior School Recorder Ensemble, 87%, Gold • Bergvliet Primary String Ensemble, 90%, Gold • Senior Primary Choir, Grades 4–7, 95%, Cum Laude • Junior Primary Choir, Grades 1–3, 96%, Cum Laude

Cape Town Eisteddfod Bands and Ensembles Success



STRING ENSEMBLE

At the Cape Town Eisteddfod Bands and Ensembles, held at Wynberg Boys' High School on Saturday, 15 August 2026, our Senior Orchestra achieved Honours (80–84%), while our String Ensemble received High Honours (85–89%). Congratulations to both groups on these excellent results.



SENIOR ORCHESTRA

ART DEPARTMENT NEWS

Western Cape Virtual Eisteddfod Visual Art, Drama, Poetry and Photography Achievements

The Western Cape Virtual Eisteddfod (WCVE) gives learners the opportunity to showcase their creativity in visual arts, drama, poetry and photography, receive constructive feedback and grow in confidence.

We are proud to share some of our learners' wonderful results and adjudicator comments from the 2026 WCVE.

Congratulations to all who participated.

More results will be shared in upcoming newsletter editions.

To have your child's result featured in future newsletter publications, please email Mrs Schonegevel at rschonegevel@bergvlietprimary.co.za.



Emily Young, Visual Art, Grade 6

Submission: Red Riding Hood – The Wrong Story

Result: 100%, Cum Laude

Adjudicator highlight: Emily was praised for her intricate design, strong focal point, beautiful colour palette and storytelling details, with the adjudicator noting that the artwork was completely engaging.



Libby Shargey, Visual Art, Grade 7

Submission: Flower Hallucinations

Result: 90%, Gold

Adjudicator highlight: Libby received high praise for her mature painting skills, expert tonal variation and strong drawing ability, with particular recognition given to the striking detail and atmosphere of her artwork.



Cara Hindle, Photography, Grade 6

Submission: PH3, Landscape Photography

Result: 87%, Gold

Adjudicator highlight: Cara was complimented on her wonderful eye for colour and horizon lines, with encouraging technical feedback to help further strengthen her photography.



Morgan Parker, Visual Art, Grade 3

Submission: Go with the flow

Result: Silver

Morgan received a Silver Award for her Visual Art entry.

Rayaan Abbas, Speech & Drama, Grade 1

Submission: SP1, Poetry

Result: 94%, Gold

Adjudicator highlight: Rayaan was praised for a confident and engaging performance, with well-controlled rhythm and pacing, effective gestures and expressive vocal delivery.





HERITAGE DAY CELEBRATIONS



Heritage Day is officially celebrated on Thursday, 24 September 2026. Bergvliet Primary School will commemorate this special occasion on Friday, 18 September 2026.



Learners are invited to wear civvies for a contribution of R10.



They are encouraged to wear traditional clothing or clothing featuring the colours of the South African flag as we celebrate the rich cultures, traditions and diversity that make our country and school community so special.

The organisation that will receive the proceeds from the civvies contributions will be **The Saartjie Baartman Centre for Women and Children.**

The R10 civvies contribution will be payable via Karri closer to the time.

We look forward to celebrating the many cultures and traditions represented within our Bergvliet Primary School community.



SAFRIPOL TOY COLLECTION DRIVE



During Term Three, Bergvliet Primary School will participate in the Safripol Toy Collection Drive. This initiative provides learners and families with an opportunity to support children in need by donating unwanted toys that are still clean, complete and in good condition.

Suitable donations may include puzzles, toy cars, soft toys, dolls, games and other age-appropriate toys. Please ensure that all donated items are safe, usable and have no missing or broken pieces.



All toys collected will be donated to St George's Home for Girls in Wynberg.



Donations may be brought to school and handed to the learner's class educator. The class educator will ensure that the toys are delivered to the designated collection point in the Art Room.

We thank our families in advance for supporting this meaningful initiative and helping to bring joy to others.



MAKE MUSIC IN 2027!



Would you like to learn an instrument or join a music ensemble in 2027?

Our Google application form will open towards the end of Term 3, with places considered from early Term 4.



Come and see what our Music Department has to offer at the Bergvliet Primary School Open Day on Thursday, 10 September 2026, where our ensembles will perform in the Hall.

Instruments offered include piano, recorder, clarinet, saxophone, violin, cello, guitar, drum kit and marimba. Extra-mural opportunities include choirs, ensembles, orchestras, marimba band and theory classes.

We look forward to seeing you at the Open Day!



TERM 3 FUNDRAISER: BINGO NIGHT



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to a fun-filled

BINGO NIGHT



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TERM 3 FUNDRAISER: BINGO NIGHT FOOD



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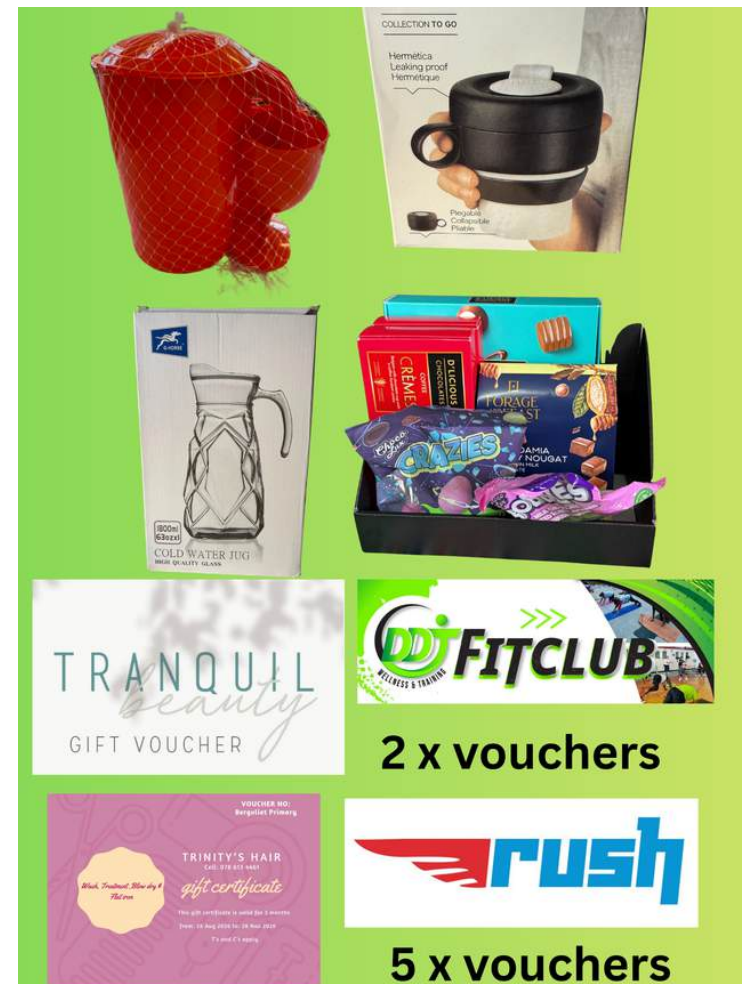
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TERM 3 FUNDRAISER: BINGO NIGHT PRIZES

BINGO PRIZES





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OUR GOAL

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for revamp of
the South Field
Tuckshop

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R 9950
21 August 2026

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FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!



BERGVLIET PRIMARY SCHOOL

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- A5 landscape advert – **R800**
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for artwork specs and next steps.

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