



Udobo School

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3rd Term Newsletter 2019

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Dear Friends,

I greet you in the precious name of Jesus. During the third term the school had a very successful outing, we had a few mini fundraisers, we celebrated both Spring Day and Heritage Day! Of course we had to continue to work through our syllabus and allow our children to learn through their play and experiences that are offered to them.



The outing was to UShaka Marine World, but in a safe area where the children were not near big pools or open water. They were entertained by UShaka staff who kept the children very busy. They watched a show where the staff dressed up as marine animals. The children danced on the stage, had their faces painted and splashed in small water fountains. They then had a picnic before returning to school in a bus – even the bus ride was a big adventure and the children loved the trip.



I had not allowed my 3-4 year olds on the bus and they were entertained by a group called 'The Menagerie' who brought animals who had been rescued out of various situations – owls, lizards, snakes, a goat and a tiny puppy who had been abandoned in an empty house. It became such a comical situation as every time an animal was brought out one of the tiny little boys said: 'bring out the puppy' in a gruff little voice.



We had some mini fundraisers where we sold cupcakes or cotton candy to that we could raise money to give the children a fun Spring Day. We celebrated on the Friday before Spring Day and the children were taken onto our Church grounds where they ran races, played games and had their lunch.



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They also made flowers and decorated their classrooms. On the Sunday we used the children's art to brighten the Montclair Methodist Church.



Heritage Day is always celebrated with enthusiasm at Udobo Pre-Primary School. Two of my friends from Church came and shared items with us. Philile Khumalo did a gumboot dance much to everyone's delight and Mary Molokwane shared a traditional dance with us. We had groups of our children who danced and sang followed by the staff who entertained us with their singing and dancing – such talent! We then had a free-for-all where anyone could share their talent with us – amazing abilities among these little ones. We then enjoyed boerewors rolls braaied by Lizette Platjies (what are we going to do without her next year?) followed by ice-cream and canned fruit donated by the Eva family from the Church.



It was a wonderful day that we all enjoyed. We broke up the next day for a break of a week – scarcely broke up when we were returning to work!

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The Street sign



The diveway sign at the main entrance gate

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During the last week of term we were able to put up two very smart sign boards thanks to 'Action Udobo' in the U.K. We are so indebted to this wonderful group of people who help us out in so many ways. The signs are beautiful and we have already had inquiries for placement for next year because of the signs! So a huge thank you to Action Udobo who paid for the signage, Pierre Snyders who took the photograph and Kyle-Benjamin Snyders of Paperjetstudios who did the artwork and William of Digitech who manufactured the signs.

God bless you,

Anne Snyders (Principal)

Moments of Joy:

Teacher Lisa and Pastor Deon Govender's son Levi (7) qualified for inter-Provincials. He earned three gold medals and set a new record for the 80m.



Udobo secretary/ bookkeeper Mrs Lizette and Arnold Plaatjies son Zeandre (16) was named 'Sportsman of the year' for rugby at New Forest High School.



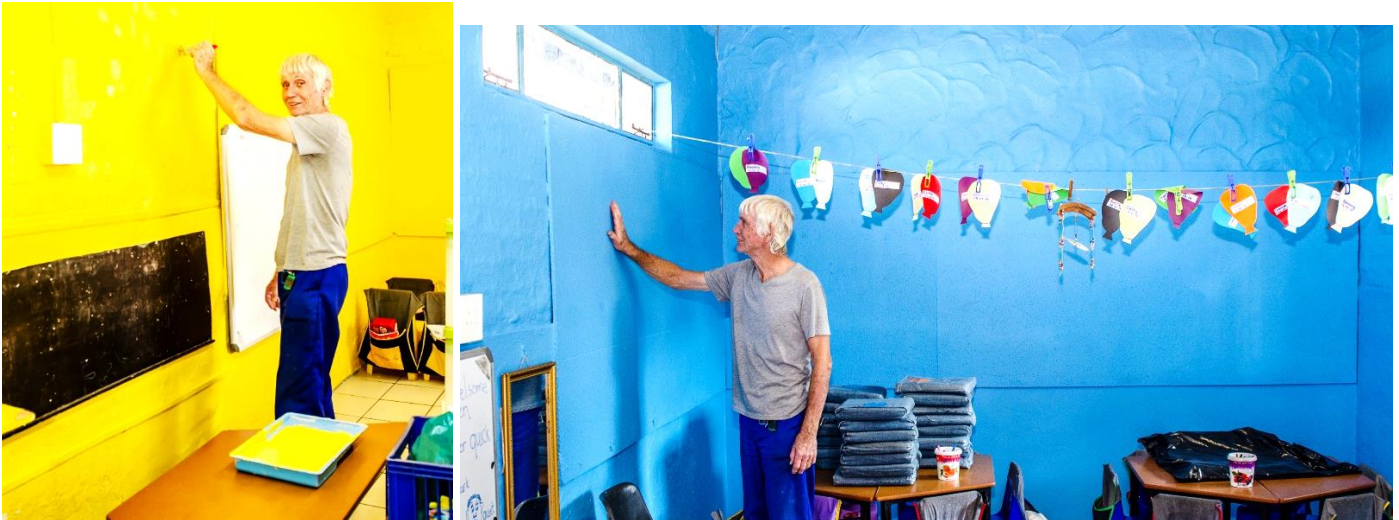
Our Governing Body Secretary – Joan and Peter Prenger's son Shaun married Ingrid on the 14th September.



Little Jayden (3) from Grade 000 came through an operation safely – Praise Jesus.



Our Governing Body Maintenance Manager as usual doing the bulk of the work – David Scott.



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I am so grateful to serve in this community. I cannot get enough of our notice boards so here they are again ... I just can't look at them enough.



Anne