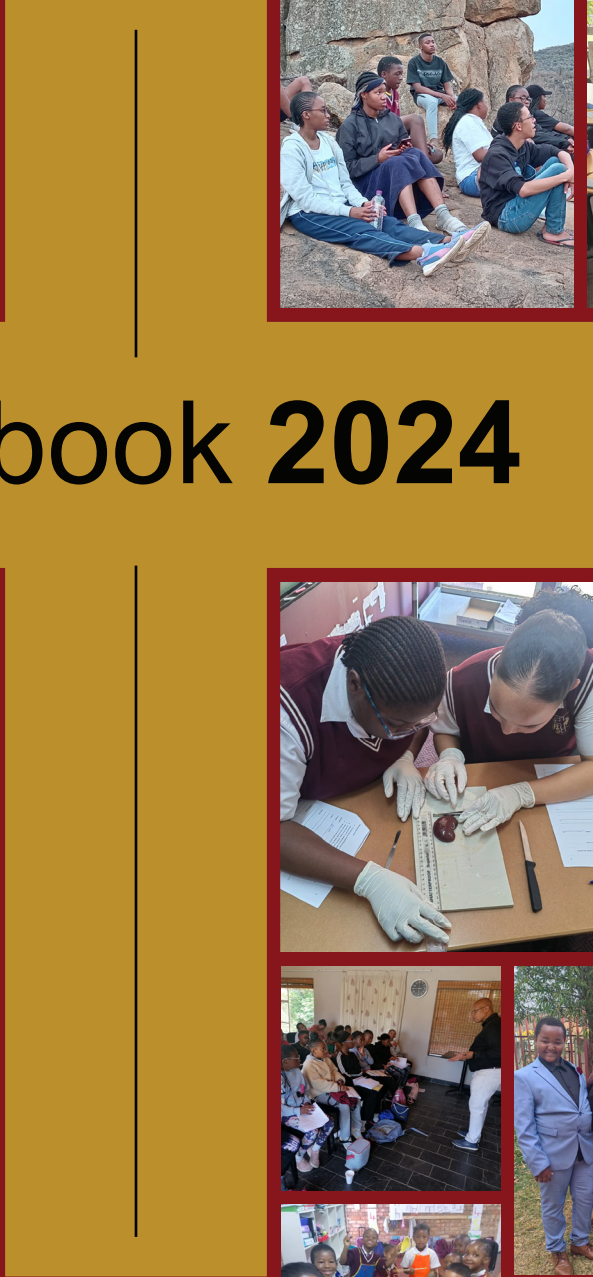




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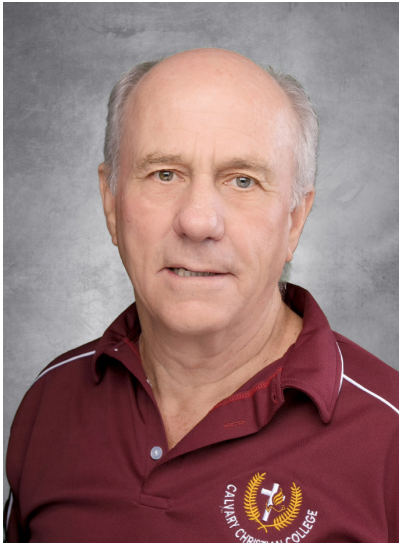
Yearbook 2024





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A Message from Pastor John

The Good Always Outweighs The Bad

As with all years, we reflect on the good and encouraging moments in the life of the school and our learners, as well as the bad and sad moments.

Just in terms of the good and encouraging moments:

- We had a great group of leaders and matrics this year. They certainly managed to increase the participation of learners in our various school activities. They were always dynamic and positive. Well done.
- We achieved remarkable results when we participated in various Olympiads and certain of our learners were among the top candidates on a district level or won the Olympiads.

- Our outreaches to various institutions remains a fantastic way to do community outreach and create compassion within our learners for the less fortunate. St Mary's Home, the Randvaal Old Age Home and Door of Hope. Two outstanding outreaches were the drive to collect cans of food which we were able to give to the men who live behind the Booyens courts and to the Family Care Ministry which provides over 185 000 meals to needy people.
- Our annual pad drive which provides sanitary pads to matric girls at Elethu Themba High School so that they do not miss an exam during their finals.
- Our second Endemic Science Fair was a massive success and drew participation from 12 schools. Our support from business also grew, which was good news.
- Our second Day Night Inter-high School Futsal Tournament was well supported this year and it was also the first year that we ran an Inter Primary School Futsal Tournament. Both were a huge success.
- This year was also the first time that we introduced leadership training right down to our grade 4 and 5 learners. This makes Calvary, as far as we know the only school to offer this in the country.

As far as the sad and bad moments go:

- The development and construction of our new high school ground to a halt. Unfortunately the contractor, Keswa Construction, made repeated commitments to complete the projects but, although they were paid, never delivered on their promises. We have had to escalate the matter to get it resolved.
- We have had to hand over to our lawyers numerous parents who have not paid their school fees regularly. This is always sad because the lawyers add their administrative costs to the debt to the school, making their debt even greater.

As our matrics would have written by the time this magazine comes out, we have been praying that they will add to our proud tradition of obtaining 100 % IEB pass rate for the past 14 years.

To God be the glory for all He has done in the lives of our teachers and learners.

Pastor John



A Message from Pastor Sandile

When we approach the end of the year, we often look back at how far we have come. This year we can, like David in Psalm 124, say, "If the Lord had not been on our side..." Indeed, the Lord has been on our side, we are still standing and we can see His faithfulness. Our trust and help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

Regarding the high school, this year, 2024, we were looking forward to the primary school and the high school operating from different premises. However, things did not go according to what we had planned. Paul wrote to all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people: "And we know that in all things, God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." We may not see God working, especially in the darkest of our times. However, we walk by faith and not by sight. We know that God is at work and still continues to work for the good of those who love him.

We experienced delay after delay. Yet we thought we had passed the era of delays. So it is said, "a delay is not a denial, but a time of preparing you for the promise." We are learning in this process that there is a purpose in what we are experiencing and going through. God could be using these delays to teach us to lean more on Him and to trust His timing. God is still on the throne. Through our light and momentary troubles, we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. Apart from the building of the high school, we had the responsibility of maintaining the buildings and grounds including the cleaning of classrooms in the current premises. This work continued with the help of the ground staff and the support staff (ladies) under the supervision of Uncle Cheslyn. He (Uncle Cheslyn) also came in handy in that he was able to go beyond his duties and filled in on any void that he saw and accepted any delegated duty without complaining. For that, we are grateful to him and his team.

As a Christian school, we have the responsibility to nourish staff and learners spiritually. For the entire staff's spiritual nourishment, we continued with admin and support staff devotions every Tuesday morning and the Teachers' devotions every Wednesday morning. The learners' spiritual nourishment was through assemblies on Thursdays and Chapel on their respective days. There are also daily devotions with the learners' register teachers.

In conclusion, I want to extend a word of appreciation...

- to all the teachers, who without fail had devotions with the learners and made learners look forward to coming to school daily and have their morning devotions,
- to the external Pastors, Pastors Chris, Basil and Kurt who also without fail came on Thursdays to speak at the high school assemblies, challenging learners in various ways,
- to the internal Pastors and staff who shared during staff devotions and chapel days, challenging learners to make decisions about following the Lord, and
- to the cleaning and maintenance team for not getting weary while doing their work.

Bless you all.



A Message from the School Principal and High School Head

If someone had told me in 2023 that I would be Principal and High School Head at Calvary Christian College I would probably not have believed it, but here we are and 2024 is almost something of the past. Filling the void left by the departure of Mrs Potgieter was not easy and it was only by the grace of God and the assistance of a very capable staff that we managed to negotiate all the challenges posed by 2024.

This year will be remembered as a year in which some memorable events took place. Some of these events that took place this year were the Endemic Science Expo, Gospel Stars and the first Primary Schools Futsal Soccer Tournament.

These events were all part of the strategic decision that was taken in 2023 to make Calvary a hub of activity in our area – to promote Pride, Passion and Participation – the theme chosen by the current matrics. These events saw schools near Calvary, to schools from as far away as Pretoria, visit us in order to be part of the hosted activities. This trend will be continued and expanded in 2025. In an effort to grow our numbers and to take Calvary from great to awesome, we have started visiting ECD centers as well as neighbouring primary schools to promote Calvary as a school of choice.

We trust that God will continue to bless and lead us as we head into 2025.

W Barkhuizen



A Message from the Primary School Head

I started my new journey at CCC on 8 January 2024

I was enthusiastic because it is a Christian school with smaller classes. This experience will always be etched in my mind. I had spiritual encounters during chapel. I loved the enthusiasm of the learners praising God and being attentive to the pastors' delivery of the Word.

The appreciation of the educators regarding my input into their lessons and the willingness to learn far outweighed my anxieties. This year was not without pitfalls. I had to adhere to GDE requirements, due dates; meetings with pastors and interviewing new parents. These were new challenges to me in some ways, but I had to be resilient because it was all about learners.

I learnt new songs and the motto for this year, PRIDE,PASSION,PARTICIPATION. Taking pride in all aspects relevant to the primary school required team work.

I surely achieved that with the dedicated staff that I've been blessed to work with. My passion for teaching Afrikaans to the grade six learners was indeed an achievement for me. The participation in all aspects such as athletics; chapel; parents' meetings and Wednesday prayer made me fulfill my role as the Head of the Primary School.

Psalms 91:1 states : "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most high, shall abide in the shadow of the almighty." I have always asked God for his wisdom in all spheres of school and home-life. He has never failed me.

Mrs Maliga Thomas



Mineral-Loy Bursaries Over The Years

Mineral-Loy has been gracious to Calvary Christian College by allocating the school money for bursaries for our academically strong learners, particularly those struggling financially. More than twenty-five learners have already received the benefit of the Golden Laurel Wreath Bursaries from Mineral-Loy.

Mineral-Loy provides its customers, around the world, in the steel, foundry, aluminum, welding, battery, galvanizing, refectory and ceramic industries with various products and services tailored to their specific needs.

The school called these bursaries the Golden Laurel Wreath Bursaries to complement the school's badge which has a laurel wreath encircling the cross. The wreath was included as part of the badge when the school reached its twenty fifth anniversary. For us, it denotes both a milestone and an achievement. Those who receive these bursaries, need to see the bursaries in a similar light.

Learners apply for the bursaries and these are carefully screened before allocating them. The learners who receive the bursaries are given exposure to the industry Mineral Loy serves, by job shadowing in the different departments for a week during their school holidays. The majority of our learners who received bursaries over the years have gone on to study at universities. These learners should never forget that the bursaries from Mineral-Loy made this possible.



Staff Photos



Pastors who serve the school



PASTOR JOHN



PASTOR SANDILE



PASTOR CHRIS



PASTOR BASIL



PASTOR KURT

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Management 2024



PASTOR JOHN



N THOMAS
Head - PS



S GOPAL
HR/PA



PASTOR SANDILE



W BARKHUIZEN
Principal
Head - HS



D ROGALSKY
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR

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Admin Staff 2024



V Kelly
PS Principal Secretary &
School Admin



K ATTWELL
AFTERCARE



K VERMEULEN
PS ACCOUNTS



S Martin
HS Principal PA &
School Admin



P MBONANI
COACH

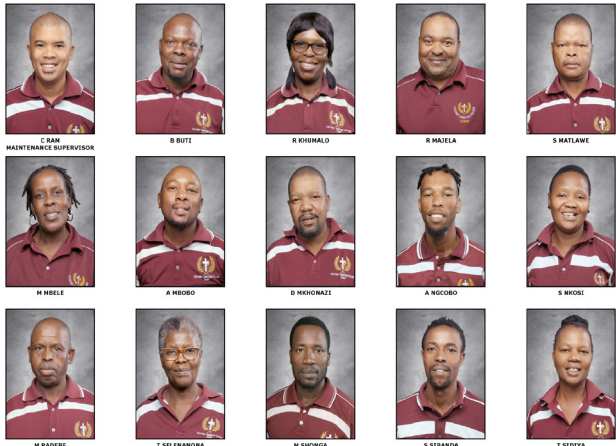


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Coaches 2024



M MAKHOANE



A MESO

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An Indelible Impression



Sheila Ellen George has been with Calvary Christian College for the past 25 years. That, by anyone’s standard, is a long time but seen in a different light, it means that many, many learners have passed through her capable hands. In each life she has left an indelible impression and love for the Lord Jesus. She has worked in the Foundation Phase all her life and equally at ease teaching any grade in the Foundation Phase. What is significant is that she has laid foundations for learners in reading and writing in English, reading and writing in Afrikaans as an additional language and in numeracy the basics of counting: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. If one’s foundations are in place one can build on these building blocks in one’s later grades.

She also put together a workbook to help children with cursive writing which served the school well for many years. She began her teaching career at New Clare Primary and she moved on to teach at four other schools before settling at Calvary Christian College. This means that she has been in teaching for a total of 45 years. Her husband Ivan, who has since passed away, was always very supportive of her and the school. Just like her, he loved children.

Mrs George will be retiring to take care of her granddaughter. She will always be a welcome visitor to our school. Like the farmer you plant the seeds, but do not always see them grow. It takes time and then suddenly the plant breaks through the surface and starts to mature, eventually bearing a crop. So it is with teaching. Thank you for every life you have touched, changed and grown.

Class Photos



M THOMAS
Principal



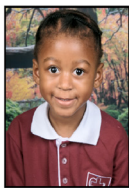
Grade RRR & RR 2024



P NGWENYA
Educator



KHAIIRI
ALEXANDER



KHANYISA
BVUMA



AWANDE
JARA



LWALUHLE
KHUMALO



KATLEGO
MANOTO

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Principal



Grade R 2024



M PILLAY
Educator



IBRAHIM
BATTE



MHLENGI
BUTHELEZI



THANDOLWETHU
KUBHEKA



SANELISIWE
MADIBA



BONTLE
MATLALA



SIBUSISO
NKOSI



LEVI
PADACHEY



TEIGAN
SCHIEBL



AURORA
SMALE



NONTOKOZI
VILAKAZI

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Principal



Grade 1.1 2024



S GEORGE
Educator



HATLANGELA
BALOYI



LISOLETHU
DLAMINI



STHABILE
DUBE



KENDALL
GROENEWALD



PFUNETO
MASHISANI



NKAZIMULO
MBATHA



DINTLE
MSIBI



JESSIE
NCOBNTA



MAKHUISA
NEMURANGONI



KHULISA
NETHAVHANI



MELOKUHLE
NGCOBO



UMAZILE
NYANDENI



KARABO
SHOBA



NHLEKO
SITHOLE



LERUO
TLAPE

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Principal



Grade 1.2 2024



A TAYLOR
Educator



TALJAH
BENNETT



NKATEKO
BVUMA



ARIANA
CHETTY



EPHRAH
GADE



OLIVIA
GOW



KAEL
JANUARY



KAGISO
MBOXELA



OARABLE
MODIBEDI



KIRA
MOLELI



AYAMAAH
NDLOVU



TSHIAMO
NTULI



LLITHA
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KALLIAH
PADAYACHEE



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L NDLOVU
Educator



BAILEY BRANSBY DAKALO MAGANYA TSALWA MAHLAULE BOHLALE MOELESO REFUOE MOTHIBEDI ELIHLE MTHUNZI ALWANDE NCUBE



ALWANDE NKOSI YONELA NONJAKAZI EALIH PYON APHELELE RADEBE ATLEHANG SELEKA THEENDO SIAVHE RAYDEN SMITH

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N BUTELEZI
Educator



ANDREW AVONTUUR UNATHI CHUENE SIMTHANDLE DLUNGWANE CALEB HLOPHE UKHO JARA LIAM JOHNSON



FAELYN LAKEY ANELE MADIBA KHUMO MAILULA KAMOGELO MASISA LWANDILE NKOSI ASANDA RADEBE



THANDEKA RAMOLOKO THENZANTIA THENJERWAYO BOTUMELO TSOLO ZURI ZAMA

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S CHETTY
Educator



SHILOH DENNISON MUHLURI KHOSA KHANYISILE MABUZA KHALALELO MAGWAZA LEHLOHONOLO MASILO KGOSI MOEKETSI



KUHLE MOKELE VHUTALI NEMUDIVHISO SCEBI PHUNGWAYO TSHIAMO RAMAGAGA MUKHETHWA RAVELE GABISILE SHABALALA

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J GROBELAAR
Educator



MIMHENSO BALOYI OHOLEHO KAU AZARIA KHAN AYANDA LETSOALO AYANDA MABASO AMANLE MAHAVE MOHAU MASILO



TAPIWANASHE MATIPANO AOBAKWE MENWE OMPHILE MONYEMOHONOE OKUHLE MSIBI SEMAY NYAMBO PABALLO POKANE KWAKHANYA SOBAYENI

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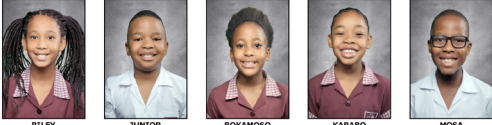
M GOOD
Educator



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NEO MASHISHE NOKUKHANYA MBATHA IMANI MWAMBA ISAAC NEBONTA TENDANI NETSHEHENE LWENKOSI NGUBANE



RILEY PAULSEN JUNIOR PHAFOLI BOKAMOSO SETLE KARABO SIBANYONI MOSA TLHAGANE

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U KHUNALO
Educator



SKYLER DALTON KATISO LESTKA ZUKISWA MADIBA KHANIMAMBA MALLUKE ORATLWE MANAKA RENELWE MASHEKE



MAHLATSE MASHISHE GRACIA MHLANGA THORISO MOTAUNG TUMELO MOTSELEBANE JOY MPHALELE SIMPHWE MWALE



LESEDI SEFAPE-SIBANDA VUTLHARI SIBISI SHAEL VAN RENSBURG ALWANDE ZULU

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C TEIS
Educator



KHUMO BOJANYANE MICHAELA BOKAKO LWANDILE DLALI ZAKOKUHE DLAMINI BRADLEY HENRY JARED JANUARY
BONGUTHANDO KHUMALO OMONTLE MANTYANA NUSA MNCUBE ROTONDWA MUDAU SIPHAMANDLA NCUBE TYREEQ PADACHEY
TSHIFHEWA RAMAKHULA UHONE RAMUAGELI AKONAHO SIKHAYAKHAYHA MODJADI TAMANYANE

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R DIZA
Educator



TAMRYN BENNETT LEMUEL BROWN GABRIELLA JOHNSON HADZIMI MALEPE RORISANG MENWE KHUMO MOSUOE LILEMO MOSWANE
TSEHAY MYAMBO WARINE NEMUTANDANI ZIBUSISO NGOMANE NTSETSELEO RIVOMBO JAMES STEVENS EMMANUEL UCHE

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M BHEBE
Educator



MINKATEKO BALOYI KAYDEEN BROWN BLESSED KHOSA KOPANO MATHABATHE BOKAMOSO METSWAMERE NANDI MKHWANAZI
OBIANUJU NDUKAUBA WASHU NEMUTANDANI SPHESITHE NGUBANE DAKALO RAMUTHAGA KYLE WILLIAMS

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Principal



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V BOBO
Educator



ALEXUS CHINYAMA JADEN HOUSTON BOKAMOSO KGESA NOMUSA MBATHA PABALLO MOANA KOENA
NAHANELO MOSWANE CHISIMDI NEBONTA MUKONI NETHAVHANI SIBUSISO NKOSI MMASICHUKWU UCHE

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W BARKHUIZEN
Principal



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L ZILLER
Educator



CATLEYA GOVENDER SHILOH HENDRICKS TLHALEFO MABE MUHLURI MATHEBULA ATLEHANG MOFOKENG
KEKETSO MOSWANE TSHEDISO MOTHEBI KARABO MOTLOUNG GUNDO MPHEPHU RENDANI MUGIVHI
CELUMUSA NTULI THAMBANQA PENDU RORISANG SHOBA LERANCE SMIT NJABULO VILAKAZI

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W BARKHUIZEN
Principal



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A SIBANDA
Educator



NOTHILE BHENGU GOMOLEMO GININDZA BLADEN HARWOOD SIBAHLE KHULU AYANA LEFOKA BOIPELO LOSABA RIRANDZU MAREANA
LUKHONA MNGUNI TSHGOFATSO MOGOKONYANE TUMELO MULAUDZI NYHUTHUMAYE RAMBASA OAGILE SEBATANE OPHILE THABEDE LESEGO TSOLO

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MASON BILLINGS CHLOE BINGWA SANELE DUMA CASSIDY KATTS THEMBA KUNENE XILUVA MDLULI
 NYAKALLO MPOKENG KARABO MURONGA CHIDINMA NERONTA NTANDO NGCOCO OARABILE NGABENDE NTSAKO NKUNA
 MOEKETSI PHAKOE UNARINE RAMUAGELI LEHAKWE SEKU TSHIMOLOGO SEREMANE KALLIN THOMPSON

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KEANU BAULACKEY REBAONE HUMA ZWISWA MAKONGZA TSHAMO MARINGA NOZULAMO MASHISANI KGOSIETSI MATABANE
 LESEDI MATSENA TSAKANI MOKWA BUHLE MONGA YOLOWETHU MTEBELE AYANDA NDHLOVU ZININGI NDOU
 RHANZU NTULI LIKHANYE NYINGWA NTANDO PHUNGWAYO MPHO PITSE MZWANDLE TIMOTHY

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TYLOR DANIELS JORDAN HENDRICKS PHOEBE LAKEY SINEHEMA MABASO LESEDI MACHAI JOSHUA MOSTERT
 MAPITSI MOTSEPE CALEB MPHANLELE DUMISANI NCUBE SIMPHIWE NKAMBULE KHANYA NKOSI MONDE NKOSI
 SIPHESHLE NKOSI TREASURE OGBEDE KEAMOGTSE RAMOLODI BUHLEBKOSI SIKHONDE THABILE THAKENG DANIEL ZWANE

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NKANYISO BUTHELEZI BONOLO KGESA NTHATO MABASO MPAKOTOSI MAKGETHA MPHO MAKORO PHINDLE MATHUMBA NKANYEZI MAZIBUKO
 KATLEGO MORUDI REABOKA MPHUTHI MELLISA MUYAMBO PATENCE NCUBE THEMELA NDHLOVU DYLAN NKOMO SIKENKOSI NTABENI
 SPHIVE NYANENI KEMOFLOR RAKUBUTU BONOLO SEATE LEANO SEKWAKWA MOLOGADI SEROTO TUMELO SEROTO ZAMA ZULU

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NEO CHAKALE XILUVA CHAUKE LOGAN DAVIS TYLER GOVENDER URIEL GOW DOMINIQUE JONKERS
 BANELE LEBESE THULE MABASO AKONAHU MAKONGZA BONOLO MASHINI KATLEGO MATHOLE KOLEMA MAUPA
 NTOKOZO MAZIBUKO MPHO MUGIYHI CHIZARA NDIKAUBA UTHANDO NGUBANE ONWABA NOMBENBE LERATO SIBANYONI

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ANGEL DLAMINI BOGOTHEHO HLANYANE SHALEETHA JEFFRIES OWETHU KANONA JORDAN LAWRENCE JUDAH LEPAMO NAMHLA MAGAVU
 AMO MARUPING THABISO MFOPA MERCY MHLANGA KWANELE MKUKWANA LUKHOLO MUGIYHI ANGELA MWAMBA ANGEL NEMUTANVUNI
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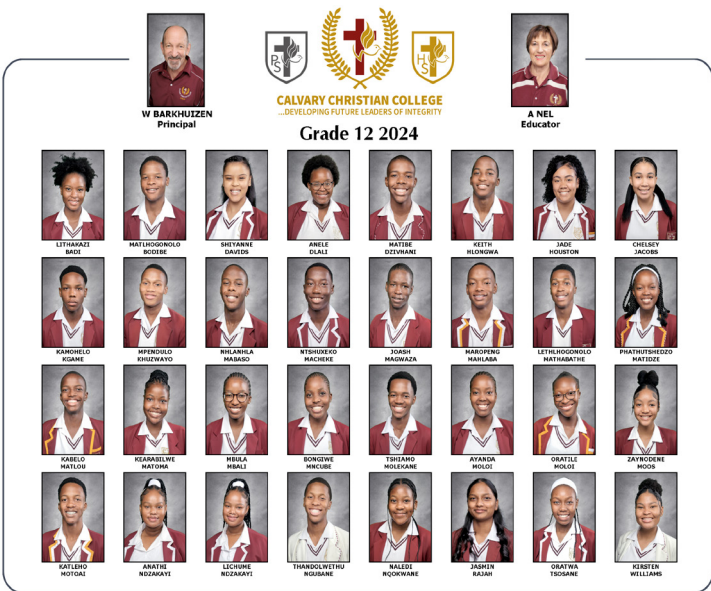
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A Journey of Growth

As I reflect on my 13-year journey at Calvary Christian College, I am filled with mixed emotions—gratitude, nostalgia, anxiety and many more. It is hard to believe that what began as my first day in Grade R, with a backpack twice my size, transformed into a tapestry of memories, lessons, and life-long friendships.

Throughout my time at Calvary, the support from our teachers and staff has been a guiding light. They have gone beyond their educator roles by playing major roles in my life. Not only were they my educators, but they were my mentors, friends, and spiritual guides. I am extremely grateful for every one of my educators. Each lesson, academic or moral, has encouraged me to make sound and just decisions

according to my faith. I am especially grateful for the way they have incorporated our Christian values into our education, helping us see the world through a lens of faith.

2024 was a year filled with spiritual, academic and leadership challenges and growth. Being a leader has been a tremendous learning experience for me. I learned how to balance multiple responsibilities, from coordinating events to addressing student concerns, while maintaining communication with staff and performing well academically. This experience has sharpened my leadership qualities by improving my communication skills, emotional intelligence and faith. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as head of the leadership body in 2024.

The lessons I have learned will stay with me as I move forward. Looking back, it is clear that my growth here has been both personal and spiritual. The foundation laid by Calvary throughout the past 13 years has been crucial in shaping not only my education but my character as well. I have learned to navigate challenges with resilience, understanding that each challenge is an opportunity for growth. Being a part of Calvary has taught me to lean on my faith during difficult times and to find strength in prayer.

As I prepare to embark on the next chapter of my life, I carry the lessons I have learned with me. I am excited to step into the world beyond these walls, ready to shine the light of Christ in everything I do. The morals and values instilled in me at Calvary will continue to guide my decisions, shaping me into the person I aspire to be.

Kirsten Williams
Head Girl 2024



World Read Aloud Day

What is DEAR? Drop Everything and Read, is a time regularly set aside in the class for both learners and teachers. The ECD learners participated in World Read Aloud Day by dropping everything and enjoying a good book. This allowed the learners to page through books, look at the lovely pictures, and engage in discussions with their classmates and teachers. Reading has many benefits such as expanding vocabulary, improves memory, enhancing creativity, to mention a few. Furthermore, the learners must be encouraged to read often. Teachers and parents can do so by reading to them, reading to themselves, and surrounding the learners with books. The learners look forward to the DEAR period and make use of good books.

Written by Ms. M Pillay



Space and Shape

The grade RRR and RR completed a lovely Mathematics (Space and Shape) activity with Ms. P Ngwenya. The theme for the week was on 2D shapes and the focus shape was the triangle. The learners enjoyed doing a kite collage using small pieces of colour paper. They used lots of pencil colours and wax crayons. Yet again, their fine motor development is strengthened by tearing and squashing small pieces of paper. The different techniques were used in this specific activity such as, learning to hold crayons correctly, colouring in, cutting and pasting, tearing and squashing small pieces of paper. Our ECD learners had fun and they will continue doing various activities to assist them in their holistic development.

Written by Ms. M Pillay



Falcon Crest Picnic

Our little leaders in training had a fun day out at Falcon Crest during the second term. The learners were excited to spend the day with their classmates and teachers outside of school. The teachers planned and prepared exciting activities to keep the learners involved and occupied for the day. The learners enjoyed gross motor skills activities, a bible story, viewing the animals, a walk around Falcon Crest and a lovely picnic. Pastor John walked with the learners around Falcon Crest showing them the sheep, beehives, and other animals. The learners were enthusiastic and interested in the outdoor adventure. It was nice to see the learners engaged in various topics and conversing with their teachers and classmates. They had the opportunity to discuss and ask questions about the different animals. It was a lovely and memorable day out for the ECD learners.

Written by Ms. M Pillay



Fine Motor Skills

Fine motor skills need to be strengthened for children to engage in all activities. Therefore, we provide a variety of fine motor activities for the learners daily. The learners are exposed to various manipulatives to assist in strengthening their fine motor skills. The teachers incorporate resources and recycled materials to assist the learners to reach their full potential. We introduce fine motor activities such as threading with wool and macaroni, collages of different textures, and concrete objects, to mention a few. It is vital for the ECD learners to strengthen and develop good fine motor skills. Furthermore, the benefits are a correct pencil grip, correct letter and number formation, cutting skills, pasting, and many other skills. All learners despite their age or grade must be exposed to fine motor activities daily to perform better.

Written by Ms. M Pillay





Inquiring Minds

Our little leaders in training participated in “Dress Up Like A Scientist Day” held during the first term. The learners came to school dressed up in their lab coats with interesting scientific equipment. It was heartwarming to see the excitement on every little face. I am proud to say that the parents took the time and the initiative in ensuring that their little one was happy and ready for the day. The day was packed with fun filled science experiments presented by Ms. P Ngwenya.

The educators watched as the necessary scientific skills unfolded through communication, critical thinking, problem solving, and logical thinking skills. During the activities the 5 senses were used, which is part of the ECD curriculum. Integration of the different learning areas are important in developing a child holistically. It is important to teach Science in early childhood, and events such as this, and Science inside and outside of the classroom is extremely important as it enhances curiosity, amongst other important factors. As educators we intend to continue developing young minds and create an exciting environment that is conducive to learning.



First Day Of School

A new day has come. Calvary Christian College welcomed the Grade R class of 2024. Indeed it was an exciting day as the ECD educators were thrilled to meet a new group of little leaders in training. Our future little leaders in training were excited to start formal schooling. It was wonderful to see that the parents had prepared their children for the big day ahead: “No tears in sight”. Each child came in enthusiastic with big smiles ready to start working. The educators were well prepared from the welcome to the start up program, and many exciting activities for the day. Each child felt valued and acknowledged. The classroom environment was inviting with loads of fun filled activities for the learners to keep busy. The learners made friends easily and felt comfortable. The parents had the opportunity to meet and greet the educators and found it difficult to leave their children. As educators, we reassured the parents that the learners were in a safe and secure environment that is conducive to learning. One of the most memorable days in the history and journey of Calvary Christian College - January 2024

Written by Ms. M Pillay





Grandparents Tea Morning

On the 10th of September 2024, the ECD learners celebrated Grandparents Day. On this day the learners honored their grandparents by bringing them to school and showing them the various talents that they had acquired. Our little leaders in training were excited to spend a fun filled morning with their grandparents.

The learners came to school dressed up like their grandparents. It was wonderful to see the learners', parents, and grandparents' enthusiasm and the effort in preparing the outfits for the day. The learners worked hard preparing items for their grandparents and performed well. We were in awe of our little leaders in training, as they prayed, sang songs, and recited a poem.

That's not all, the grandparents participated in a colouring competition, and the winners were awarded gifts. Among the exciting activities, the ECD learners decorated cupcakes with their grandparents. It was amazing to see the interaction between the learners and their grandparents. The room was filled with love, joy, laughter, and happy people. A memorable day well spent.

Written by Ms. M Pillay





Foundation Phase

Animals

Animals play a unique role in maintaining the balance of nature. They have several characteristics that set them apart from other living things, like insects. It is interesting for the learners to learn about these animals so that they can become animal lovers.

They learn about animals from a young age. First, by having a house pet like a dog, a cat, a hamster, bird or parrot. It is fascinating when they do their own speech on the different animals. Laughter breaks out in the class when some of them act out the animals and make their different sounds. It is fun for them to research the colour and their way of living, their food and prey. Grade one learners are eager to find out about their most loved animals. What an interesting topic.

Written by Ms. M Pillay

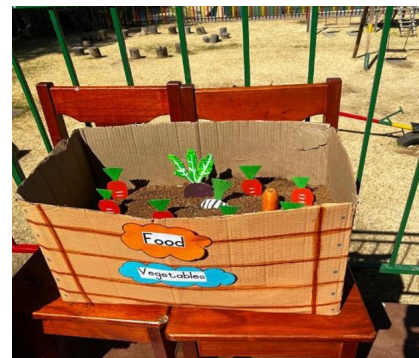


Miss Taylor's Little Farmers

In our grade 1 lesson, we dug into the wonderful world of root vegetables! We created colourful pictures of carrots, learning that they grow underground, hidden from sight. The children were amazed by this secret growth process. To bring the concept to life, we planted our own beans in small pots, simulating the underground journey.

As we watered and cared for our beans, the children eagerly anticipated their emergence. This engaging lesson merged art, science, and hands-on activity, fostering curiosity and understanding of how our food grows. We had great fun watching our seeds grow into a sprout, a seedling and now our little beanstalk. Hopefully Jack doesn't try climbing up it.

Grade 1.2





Wake Up! It's the First Day of School!

On the 17th of January 2024, the school grounds were filled with ecstatic faces and bright smiles. The learners couldn't wait to meet their new teachers. The first day of school can be difficult for mom and dad. Part of you feels excited, the other part feels sad. Grade 1 learners came into the classes ready to let go of their parents and blast off into their new adventures. The learners were excited to see their new classes and friends. How lovely it has been to meet all the new faces and receive the warm loving hugs.

BLAST OFF INTO GRADE 1!!
Ms A Taylor



Johannesburg Theatre

Our Foundation Phase learners embarked on an unforgettable adventure to the Johannesburg Theatre to watch the captivating production of "Stories from the old Calabash". As they took their seats, eyes wide with wonder, the curtains opened to reveal a world of enchantment. The tale of friendship, kindness, and sharing resonated deeply with our young audience. The colourful costumes, lively music and engaging storyline had them giggling, clapping, and totally absorbed. This theatre experience not only entertained but also educated, fostering a love for the performing arts and valuable life lessons. A truly magical experience that will be cherished forever!

Edited by J Grobbelaar





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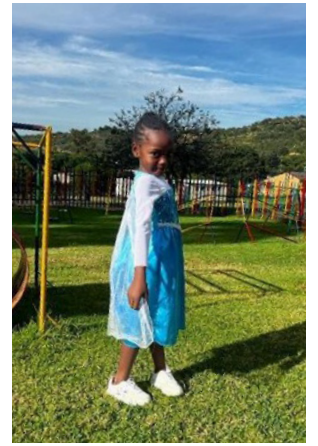
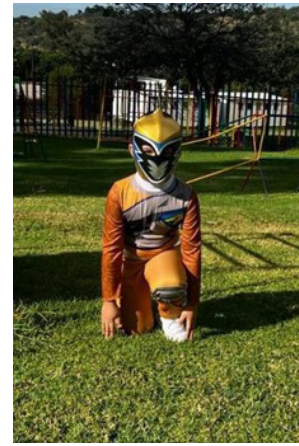
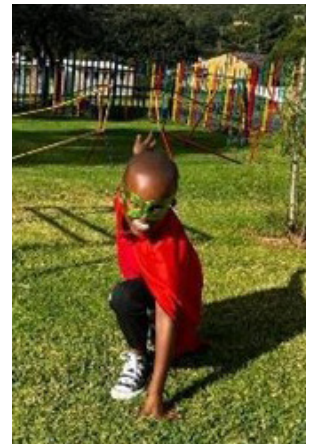


Favourite Character Dress up

I am kind, I am generous, I am fierce, I am powerful, I am elegant, I am beautiful, I am handsome, I am strong, and I am a hero. The learners spent their final week of Term 1 dressing up as their favourite character, learners and parents put in ample effort in the costumes. Each learner looked amazing. The day was filled with the experience of a magical fairytale, an action movie, and a fantasy. The learners did their utmost best in portraying their favourite character and we surely had enough spidermen and batmen to save the day! Mirror, mirror on the wall, who's the fairest princess of them all?



A Taylor



Grade 1.2 Class Activity

In a colourful grade 1 classroom, young students recently immersed themselves in a creative activity centered around the theme "My Body." Excited giggles filled the air as each child eagerly shaped their unique bodies out of vibrant play-dough, cherishing the opportunity to explore and understand different parts of their anatomy. As tiny hands moulded arms, legs, and even tiny ears, the room hummed with a sense of wonder and joy. Guided by their teacher, the children joyfully shared insights about their creations, fostering a sense of self-awareness and body positivity.

Through this engaging exercise, the young learners not only honed their fine motor skills but also developed a deeper appreciation for the marvelous ways in which their bodies function and take shape.



Bible Stories

Calvary Christian College is a Bible Based School therefore it is important that we as teachers instill Godly values in each learner. There many Bible Stories to choose from. As they listen, eyes wide open and smiles on their faces, you can see that they love the colour pictures. They find the stories interesting and want to hear it again and again. They love stories and relate to stories like when Jesus calmed the storm, the birth of Jesus, the Crucifixion and many more. They are motivated to pray and learn that God answers prayers. They know Jesus is faithful and smiles when he looks at the beautiful pictures...

The stories motivate them. They learn about respect and good work and how to help and love others. All of these motivates them to be faithful and live for Jesus. Jesus does say, bring all the little children unto me. That is exactly what teachers do.

Mrs S. George
Grade 1.1



Foundation Phase

Grade 2.1 Fish Tank Project

Learners were asked to make their own fish tank using 2D and 3D objects. Learners were asked to bring cardboard boxes, paint, paint brushes, blue A4 papers, and follow all the instructions that were given to them. They were instructed to paint the inside of a box with blue and green paint and turn it on its side. Cut out the fish at the back of their book and draw others. They can also add shells if they want to. They must put in stones and sand to make it more attractive. The front of the tank had to be closed with a transparent plastic cover. Learners were assessed on the number of objects that had been added to their fish tank and if it is stable when placed on the flat surface.

Grade 2.1
Mrs Ndlovu



Drama And Music Puppet Show 2.1

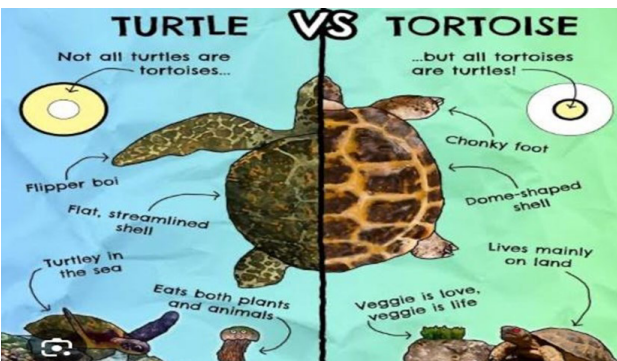
Learners were asked to create their puppet performance, based on appropriate vocal characterization and manipulation of their own puppet, learners used socks, buttons and wools to decorate their puppets. They were expected to act out a puppet performance relating to a scene using 5 sentences with expressive language gestures and confidence. They did different performances some of them did their performance as a song, others did dramatization. They were all assessed based on expression, language, gestures and confidence.

Life Skill Performing Arts Role Play About People Who Help Us

Learners were asked to do research about people who help them, and do a role play on how these people help them. Learners were divided into 3 groups. Each group chose people that they wanted to role play with. The first did a role play of how police keep their community safe by arresting criminals. The second group did a role play of how firefighters extinguish fire if there is a house that is burning. The third group did a role play of a doctor and patient. The last group were shop owners and customers. They were all wearing uniforms of people they were role playing. This was an experiential learning experience, enjoyed by all.

Grade 2.1
Mrs L. Ndlovu





Animal Homes

Animals, just like us people, need a home. "Home sweet home" say the Grade 2.2 class. Did you know that some animals actually carry their own homes around with them; these groups of learners were in disbelief just like me and you in our time. Tortoises, crabs, turtles and snails are animals that carry their own homes all over with them.

Can you spot the difference between a tortoise and a turtle? Well Grade 2.2 have all the fun facts, if you want to know.

An awesome colouring activity ended of the lesson.

More and more facts about snails and crabs! Crabs can walk in all directions, but they usually walk and run sideways. Snails bodies are covered with shells.

Home Sweet Home!! Animals need a home just like you and me!

Grade 2.2
Mrs. Butelezi

Geometric Patterns

Patterns!! Patterns! Patterns all around us.

Patterns form part of our lives. Everyday objects use geometric patterns such as bottle tops (circles), coloured papers (rectangles and squares) and other shapes: the list is endless. These groups of adorable learners got to learn that a pattern repeats itself just like our class routines. We tried the following examples: sit, stand, sit stand. Circle square, circle square. Interesting, right!

Copying, extending and describing a geometric patterns got everyone excited.

That was not all, learners created their own patterns, and this proved how talented our learners are!! Patterns!! Patterns!! Patterns!! Indeed, learners spotted a pattern during a Life Skills "Wild animals" activity too.

Mrs Butelezi





Foundation Phase



Time is Precious: Grade 2.2 Learn the Value of Every Moment

"Time is money" as they were taught about telling time towards the end of ending term 1. These future leaders also understand that when you waste time, you waste time for teaching and learning. That is very true. TICK! TOCK!

Mrs Butelezi

Grade 3 Learners Bring the Lion and The Mouse to Life!

In a delightful display of creativity, our Grade 3 learners recently retold the classic story of the Lion and the Mouse using colorful puppets. This engaging activity was part of their assessment, and it was indeed a roaring success! With the help of parents, learners crafted their own puppets, bringing the beloved characters to life. Then they individually retold the ancient fable, using their puppets to act out the story.

The puppet show was a heartwarming portrayal of the unlikely friendship between the mighty lion and the tiny mouse. The learners demonstrated their understanding of the story's valuable lessons about kindness, empathy and helping others.

Learners Comments:

- "I loved making my own puppet and using it to tell the story" - Scebi Phungwayo

- "The lion and the mouse are friends, even though they're different. We can learn from that." - Lehlohonolo Masilo

Teachers Comment:

- "The learners showed exceptional creativity in this activity. They not only demonstrated their understanding of the story but also developed essential skills in communication, collaboration and problem solving. I am incredibly proud of their achievement!" - Mrs Chetty

This innovative activity is a testament to the power of creative learning and the boundless imagination of our young learners. Congratulations to our Grade 3 learners on their outstanding puppet show!

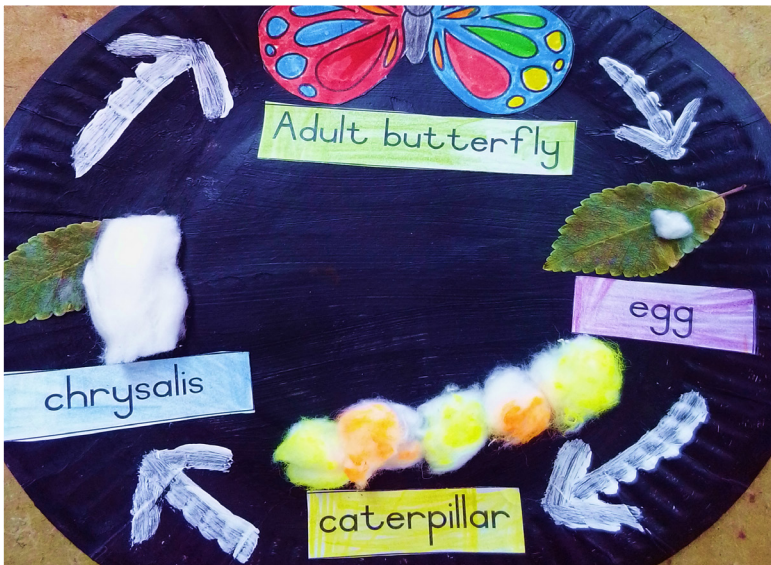




Easter Story Wreath

Easter is an exciting time for kids, and even for most adults. As some of us prepare for holidays, family vacations and get-togethers. We can sometimes forget the true meaning behind the celebrations. At Calvary we want our learners to remember that Easter is about celebrating how much God loves us. Grade 3.1 thoroughly enjoyed creating an Easter story wreath as part of Art Activities. They enjoyed listening to the story, as for some it was the first time to hear it. I personally loved the conversation that came afterwards as many learners had some very smart and lovely questions, which indicated to me that learners were very involved and their curious minds were at work. In this activity, learners sequenced events from the arrival of Jesus in Jerusalem to the resurrection of Christ. The overall goal and purpose of this activity was to help create a firm foundation of truth in the hearts of our young children, so they can grow in their understanding of who God is and, prayerfully, one day receive the gift of salvation and abundant life Jesus offers us.

Written By: Mrs Chetty



Life Cycle of a Butterfly

It is always fun and exciting learning through arts and crafts for all learners. It allows children to be creative and use their imagination. These activities give learners a sense of achievement and allows them to take pride in their work.

As Life Cycles is part of one of our Life Skills themes for Term Two, our Grade 3 learners were taught on the Life Cycle of a butterfly. They were thrilled and fascinated by the different stages of metamorphosis. In an extension to this topic, the Grade 3's thoroughly enjoyed the lessons, watching videos of this process and creating their own life cycle of a butterfly. It was a wonderful experience as learners could not believe the transformation, a butterfly egg goes through.

I think it is safe to say that it most definitely was the best enjoyed theme of the Term.

Done by: Mrs Chetty





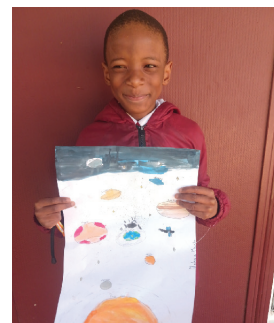
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Blast Off

As Term 3 wrapped up, our learners embarked on an epic adventure - painting the planets! This fun-filled activity sparked creativity, curiosity, and joy. Armed with art supplies and vibrant imaginations, they brought the solar system to life. This activity wasn't just about having fun (although, let's be honest, it was a blast!); it also honed some valuable skills: research and info-gathering, creativity and self-expression, fine motor skills, collaboration and sharing.

To top it off, learners sang a catchy tune about the planets, reinforcing their knowledge and leaving a lasting impression. What a fantastic way to end Term 3! The "Painting the Planets" activity proved that learning can be both fun and enriching. We can't wait for more innovative experiences that inspire our learners to reach for the stars!

Grade 3.2
Mrs J. Grobbelaar



Palm Sunday

As we are approaching our school holidays, I thought it would be a great time to educate grade 3.2 on Palm Sunday by giving them a fun activity whereby they had to cut out pieces of paper and stick it in the shape of a cross. Once this was done, they all got to paint their hands and put their palms on each side of the paper signifying "Palm Sunday" as people waved palm tree branches at Jesus during his entry into Jerusalem.

The learners really enjoyed doing this activity, but it's definitely safe to say putting paint on their hands was the most exciting part for them! According to biblical texts palm trees represent peace, righteousness, and success which is what we want in each one of our excellent learners to experience.

Grade 3.2
Mrs J. Grobbelaar



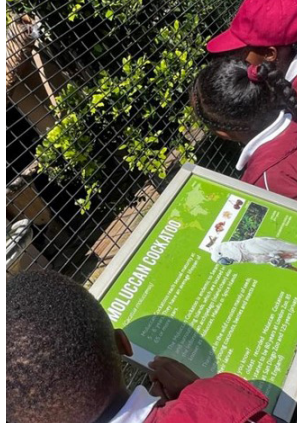
All about Insects

As part of our Life Skills curriculum our grade 3 learners were to learn about the different kinds of insects and their body parts such as their head, thorax and abdomen. Once this topic had been covered in depth they were separated into 3 different groups and had to create a role play where they needed to create their own story but all the characters in the play had to be a different kind of insect! "Bring it on!" said grade 3.2 as they practiced and prepared for their play everyday until the due date arrived. And WOW! I was completely taken back by the amount of effort that these brilliant learners had put into their play, from scripts all the way down to their props and outfits! They took this challenge on headfirst and really out did themselves. They are honestly such spectacular children, and their creativity never fails to surprise me.

Grade 3.2
Mrs J. Grobbelaar

Foundation Phase visits the Monte Casino Bird Park

A school trip to the Monte Casino Bird Park is not only exciting but also educational for the foundation phase students. The vibrant colours and melodious chirping of the exotic birds at the park mesmerize the young minds, sparking curiosity and wonder. As the children walk through the lush greenery, they learn about various bird species and their habitats, fostering a love for nature and wildlife conservation. The interactive shows and feeding sessions enhance their understanding of the avian world, making learning a fun and memorable experience. Moreover, the peaceful ambiance of the park provides a delightful escape from the hustle and bustle of daily routine, offering refreshing and enriching outdoor adventure for the young students.



The day of love

I would definitely say that this year's Valentine's Day was one for the books! Our learners in Calvary absolutely loved dressing up for this special occasion and buying all the lovely gifts that were for sale. Our learners enjoyed learning about how we as Christians celebrate Valentine's Day, after all the bible does say in 1 John 4:16 "So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love". Therefore, it is our responsibility to honour God on Valentine's Day by taking these steps: read the scriptures where God talks about his love for you, write down a list of ways that God has shown his love for you, always do good and be kind and love each other!

Mrs J.Grobbelaar





Intermediate Phase

Calvary Christian College Fun Walk

On the 7th of June 2024, Calvary Christian College hosted a Fun Walk for the primary school to re-energize the learners after a stressful period of examinations. The learners were excited to walk the 1,5km distance around the beautiful school premises. The walk was accompanied by so much laughter and songs and teachers were happy to join the learners in this exciting initiative.



After the walk, learners were treated to hot dogs, a juice, fruit and some packs of sweets and snacks. Learners were also exposed to fun games at Falcon Crest which made it extra special for them. Learning is more exciting when it is infused with fun and laughter as learning does not only take place in the classroom.



Mr U. Khumalo
Intermediate Phase teacher



Maths Olympiad 2024

Maths Challenge is a termly Olympiad exclusively organized by District 11 Intermediate phase facilitators. The Olympiad is a brain teaser for young learners from grade 4-6 and it offers them a platform to showcase their Mathematical acumen. Initially, the Olympiad occurs at Cluster level in which schools are represented by six learners, 2 in each grade. From grade 4 to grade 6.

Calvary Christian College was represented by 3 boys and 3 girls who battled it out with other bigwigs to proceed to the District level. The benchmark for proceeding to the district was 94% for both grades 4 and 5 and 93% for grade 6. For Calvary College, all the learners who participated in grade 5 and 6 made it to the district level.

Mrs. Bobo.
Intermediate Phase teacher

Dressed Like My Favourite Teacher

My favourite teacher is Mrs Bobo, she is kind, caring and strict, she makes maths fun and easy.

Zanokuhle Dlamini

I like Mr Khumalo because he always buys food for me at the tuckshop. He loves sweets just as much as I do. I miss his English classes.

Tshifhiwa Ramalamula

Today I decided to dress like Mrs Diza. She is funny, kind and she dresses beautifully. The only thing I don't like is getting homework, but I know ma'am is just doing her job

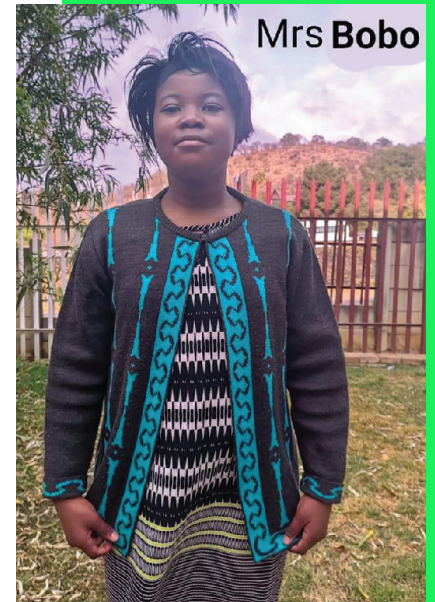
Michaela Bokako

I dressed up like Mr Khumalo, He is my favourite teacher because he makes us laugh and he has a gentle soul. He helps us understand the work properly and does not shout us as much as my register teacher Miss Teis. He is more like a big softy. I love all my teachers but my favourite is Mr Khumalo.

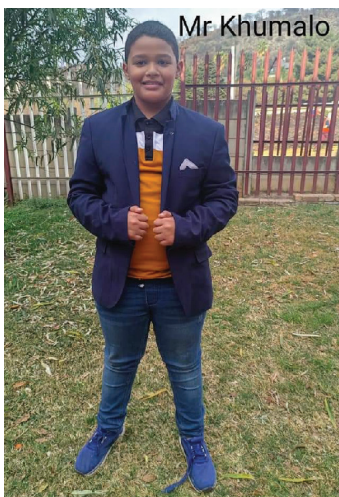
Jared January



Mrs Diza



Mrs Bobo



Mr Khumalo



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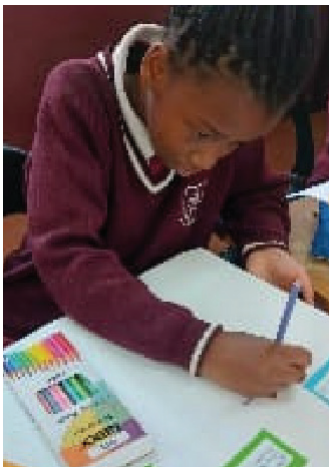
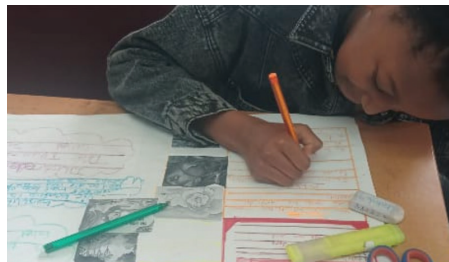


Intermediate Phase



Grade 4 Learners Create Creative Writing Posters in Afrikaans

The learners also included pictures and illustrations to make their posters visually appealing. Learners used various art materials to make their posters colourful and creative. They ensured that all the important information was clear and well organized. The posters told the story of a fable and emphasized some moral lesson. The project was a great success and helped learners appreciate the value of fables and creative writing. It also encouraged them to think critically and express their ideas in a unique way.



In an exciting project, Grade 4 learners were given the opportunity to combine their research skills and creativity by designing a creative writing poster about a fable of their choice. This project not only encouraged learners to understand the elements of a fable but also to express their unique interpretations and artistic talents. With the information they gathered, the learners began designing their writing posters. They rewrote the story in their own words, highlighting the main events of the fable.

Ms. M Good.



Grade 5 Learners Impress with a drama on Cleanliness and Tidiness

In Term 1, the grade 5 learners showcased their talents in a delightful play titled "Opruim is beter as slordig wees" (Cleaning Up is Better Than Being Messy). The performance was both entertaining and educational, emphasizing the importance of cleanliness and tidiness in our daily lives.

The grade 5 play was a resounding success, leaving the learners with important lessons about cleanliness and tidiness. The students' hard work and enthusiasm shone through, making it a memorable event for everyone. Let's all take a lesson out of the play and strive to keep our surroundings clean and tidy!

Ms. M Good.





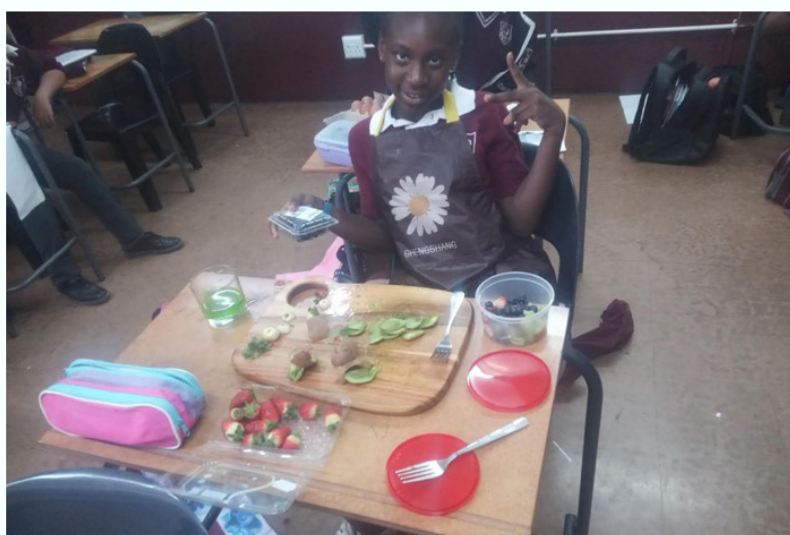
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Natural Science Photosynthesis - Grade 6

Photosynthesis is the way plants make their food. They make food in their leaves using sunlight, water and carbon dioxide.

We experimented to find out the importance of sunlight in photosynthesis. We smeared Vaseline on a leaf and observed it for some days to see whether it still had its green colour. After a few days, the leaf showed signs of wilting.

This was a clear indication that sunlight is very important for plants to make their food. Plants need to be free from any harmful gases or dust as this kills plants and living organisms. Plants provide oxygen and food for all living organisms. Plants also clean our environment. If the plants are not taken care of, we will all die because we will not have enough oxygen to breathe.



Grade 6 Recipes

On the 22nd of April 2024, the grade 6 learners presented their recipes as part of their oral presentation for English. It was so exciting to see how enthusiastic young minds could be when given the chance. Learning does not only take place in the classroom, as children learn best by doing the task practically.

In this task, learners were required to write and orally present their favourite recipe. Learners were required to bring their ingredients to present to the class how they got to the end product. It was mind blowing to see the way the learners diligently brought and presented their orals. The day was filled with so much fun and eats that the learners had made.

**LEARNING IS MEANT TO BE FUN, FUN, FUN,
FUN AND MORE FUN**

Mr. U. Khumalo
Intermediate Phase teacher



Grade 6

The world is a huge place with many different interrelated things called ecosystems. Ecosystems consist of living organisms as well as non-living organisms. Living organisms include plants, animals, and human beings. Non-living organisms include rocks, water, sand, and others that cannot carry life processes.

Mrs. Beebe.
Intermediate Phase teacher



Natural Science - Food Preservation

Preserving food is very important because it stops the spoiling of food. Specific reference will be made to drying as one of the methods of preserving food.

On the 19th of February, we dried fruits using the sun. It was very exciting as we dried fruits which included apples, mangoes, grapes, plums, and peaches. It took five days for the fruits to dry. We were so excited to see our project having the results we always wanted. All the fruits had changed colour after having been exposed to the sun. Drying is a method that was used long ago as they did not have machines to dry their food for future use.

Drying uses natural resources and with problems of loadshedding, drying is the best method.

Bokamoso Metswamere
Grade 6 learner





Intermediate Phase



Read Aloud Day

Read aloud day was celebrated on Wednesday the 7th of February 2024. Calvary Christian College acknowledges the importance of reading, especially in the technology inclined modern world of today. Reading enhances our vocabulary as lifelong learners and for this reason, it is crucial to make sure that our learners are reading. Thus, this is the reason we as a school take this day seriously. Nevertheless, the school does not only celebrate world reading day on that day but have incorporated reading in the school academic timetable where we drop everything and read once in every 8-day cycle.

Read Aloud Day was celebrated throughout the whole school, Grade R to Grade 12. It was a fun and amazing day where everyone had a chance to read aloud. The learners and teachers enjoyed reading outdoors under the shades of trees and feeling the breeze around them. Everyone seemed to enjoy the day as it made learning fun.

Dakalo Ramuthanga
Grade 6 learner.

Pick 'n Pay Hero Campaign

I believe that I am a kind and trustworthy person. My aim in life is to grow a closer relationship with God. Having trust in God allows me to be the best version of myself that I can be. Helping my teachers carry their bags, switching classroom lights on in the morning and off in the afternoon is just one way of offering my help. My mom has taught me to be respectful to all people, to be a servant as Jesus served. My teacher chose me as a Pick 'n Pay Hero since I'm consistent in everything I do including keeping good grades.

Tyreeq Padachey
(Grade 5.1)



Intermediate Phase: Dress Up As Your Grandparents



Students Corner

Today is a lot of fun as we got to dress up like our grandparents for a day. Most of us looked very silly. I like dressing up. It makes me have fun and we get excited to come to school.

Rotondwa Mudau

Students Corner

I love dressing up for school as it's funny and so much fun. Grandparents dress up day made me so proud because I wore my real grandma's dress, hat and wig, I even used her perfume as well as her walking stick.

Zanokuhle Dlamini





Developing Future Grade 9 Leaders of Integrity

During the June holidays, a group of Grade 9 Calvarians embarked on an intense and transformative journey at Calvary's Leadership Course. Held at Falcon Crest, the course was designed to develop leadership skills, foster teamwork, and create lasting memories. It not only taught us how to lead by example but also how to tackle life's challenges and embrace our identity in Christ. Through physical and emotional interactions with our peers, we discovered our unique strengths and areas for growth.

It was a chance for us to come together as brothers and sisters in Christ, offering advice and opening our eyes to different perspectives. Although the thought of choosing subjects may have been overwhelming for many of us, our worries were quickly eased after taking the career guidance test. The test considered our personalities, skills, and interests, helping us to identify which careers would suit us best. Overall, the leadership course was a great experience, providing an opportunity to learn more about our peers and ourselves.

By Mologadi Seroto 9.2



Rocking Future Career Roadshow

Attending the Rocking Future Career Roadshow was an exhilarating and enlightening experience. This event opened my eyes to a multitude of career paths and job opportunities that I had never considered before. There were dynamic presentations by professionals from various fields, making it both fun and informative to learn about their jobs. The event also had exciting giveaways and unexpected sponsorships that added to the overall thrill. Although we had to leave early since the rest of the presentation was for the matriculants, I left the chapel feeling inspired and more confident about my future career choices. By the end of the day, I had a clearer idea of the paths I might take and the goals I want to achieve.

Simphiwe Nkambule 9.1





Orientation Day

Orientation Day was incredibly exciting. As a newcomer to this school, it was a surprising and welcoming experience. The day kicked off with everyone gathering on the field, forming a large circle. We engaged in a few games before joining hands and singing "Father Abraham" as we circled around and out of the school. Our next stop was Falcon Crest, where the real fun began. We split into groups and each team created a unique war cry, with the "Pizza group" emerging as the winner. Throughout the day, we also learned the school's dances, including "Glorify," and enjoyed energetic leadership during yard games.

During lunch, we had the chance to catch up with friends, and a strong bond began to form among us. However, the day wasn't all leisure—next came the obstacle course. We navigated water slides, climbed walls, balanced on logs, crawled under a lappa through a muddy path, and swam in ponds. To wrap up the eventful day, everyone jumped into the pool together, creating a memorable splash. This was truly an unforgettable Calvarian experience.

Phoebe Lakey 9.1

Cantilever Bridge (Grade 9 Technology Project)

Done by: Jordan, Thabile, Daniel, Keamogetsoe and Khanya.

A cantilever bridge is built using cantilevers that project horizontally into space. We believed it would meet the standards of a strong bridge that can withstand harsh weather.

The bridge was made primarily from wood, wires, and metals, and was finished with paint and sandpaper to give it a "real-life bridge" look.

Our inspiration came from the San Francisco bridge, as it had all the features we were looking for in a bridge.

In conclusion, our cantilever bridge met all our expectations for a good and stable bridge.

Jordan Hendricks 9.1





Grade 8 Technology Project



In our Grade 8 technology class, we recently worked on an exciting project: constructing a model of a 'mineshaft headgear' similar to the one at Gold Reef City, known as Tower of Terror. We were tasked with designing and building a model that required both creativity and engineering skills, applying our knowledge of structures and mechanical systems. Overall, this project was a valuable experience in teamwork, problem-solving, and applying technology principles. Under the guidance of Mr. Timm, we learned a lot about engineering and the importance of safety in mining operations. This project has given us a deeper appreciation for the technology behind mining and the critical role it plays in the South African economy. Working alongside my partner, Lehakwe Seku, we researched various types of headgears and used our findings to guide our design. We faced several challenges, including ensuring our structure was sturdy enough to support movement, but we managed to overcome them through trial and error.

Our goal was to create a functional headgear model that could simulate the lifting and lowering of a mining cage. We learned how headgear structures support mining activities, ensuring safety and efficiency underground. Throughout the project, we focused on using stable materials and designing a pulley system that worked smoothly.

The materials we used included cardboard and wood for the frame, a small pulley, curling ribbon for the cables, and various craft supplies (plastic sleeve, skewers, glue gun, etc.). Our research focused on the purpose of a mineshaft headgear in transporting minerals and miners, as well as looking up real-world headgear designs for inspiration.

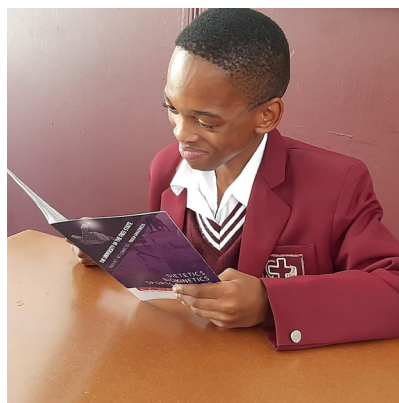
Oarabile Nkabinde and Lehakwe Seku (8.1)

World Read Aloud Day

World Read Aloud Day is celebrated to assist those who struggle with reading and to encourage others to develop an interest in it. This day is celebrated annually on the first Wednesday in February, but this year it took place on the 7th. This day has gained significant attention over the years, particularly from schools participating in this academic endeavor. While some view it as an opportunity to catch up on reading if they don't regularly engage in the activity, reading is universally beneficial. Personally, it has improved my English skills, and it has similarly impacted many successful individuals. The creation of libraries and books across various genres such as fiction, mystery, and novels, are there to increase the knowledge of many, while catering to the diverse interests of people as not all people share the same interests.

Many believe that World Read Aloud Day has the potential to be even more impactful, offering opportunities for learning and discovering history from the past to the present. Despite some people considering reading a waste of time, it is essential to invest spare time in reading, whether it's a new or old book. There are always new things to explore and learn. Therefore, let's spread the word about World Read Aloud Day and embrace the chance to discover something new.

Kgosietsile Matabane 8.2



EMS & SS Participants and Winners

The EMS Olympiad has been a remarkable journey for both my students and I. Reflecting on the experience, it started with some initial challenges, but it ultimately became a rewarding endeavor that showcased the dedication and talent of our students. Our journey began in term 3 at the inter-school level, where all learners were given the chance to take the test. Only the top three performers advanced to the cluster level, and from there, the first-place winner progressed to the district level. Representing Calvary Christian College, Dylan Nkomo from Grade 9 and Bladen Harwood from Grade 7 secured first place in their respective categories, allowing us to qualify for the district level and, with further dedication, reach the provincial level. On October 16, our students competed against 53 learners across 15 districts in the provincial round. This level was a true test of knowledge and perseverance, and it didn't begin smoothly due to some technical issues. However, with the Lord's intervention, we overcame these hurdles, logged in, and completed the test. The results exceeded our expectations, with Dylan achieving the top position in the independent school category. His success brought immense pride to our school.

As recognition for these accomplishments, our school has been invited to join the head of the department at the Provincial EMS Awards on October 26. This event honors the students' hard work and dedication. I am incredibly proud of all they have achieved, and I look forward to guiding more students through this enriching experience in the future.

Ms Nzama



EMS - Circuit Level -
Grade 7
1st Place – Bladen Harwood



Grade 8 & 9 participants
Front: Phoebe Lekay, Teacher: Ms Nzama, Mologadi Seroto, Unarine Ramuageli, **Back:** Tsakani Mjikwa, Ntando Phungwayo and Dylan Nkomo not in the photo.



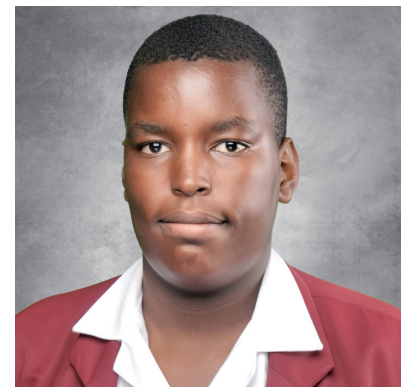
Circuit Level
2nd place– Mologadi Seroto &
1st place – Dylan Nkomo



District Level Winners - EMS
First place winners - from Calvary
Grade 7 – Bladen Harwood
Grade 9 – Dylan Nkomo



Social Science – District Level
1st – Dylan Nkomo



Dylan Nkomo - Overall winner at:
School Cluster, District and Provincial
Levels. We are proud of your hard
work and achievement



FET Phase

Life Science Practicals



Watching oxidation reactions to determine the limiting reagent



Testing how Lithium reacts with water – an explosive experience!



Testing urine for the presence of glucose or protein.



Using our knowledge of gel electrophoresis and DNA profiling to find the murderer!



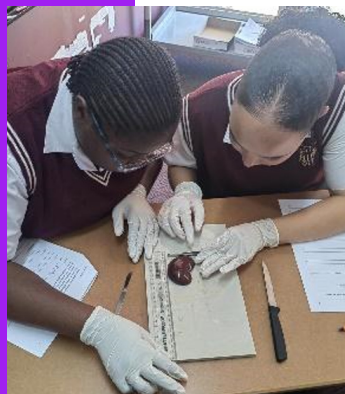
Using AI in the Life Sciences Classroom proves for engaging and interactive lessons



Learning how to use a light microscope.



Titration – watching colour changes during chemical experiments



Dissecting the mammalian kidney.

Geography Knows No Borders - 2024 Olympiad

On the 21st of May 2024 our Geography Learners from Grade 10 – 12 participated in the Annual Geography Olympiad where they were awarded the chance to expand their knowledge on Earth Sciences and the world around them. It was quite a nerve wracking experience for most pupils that they had to guess some of the answers but some it was a very fun and informative experience as it is somewhat different from what we learn in class. As one grade 10 learner Judah Lepamo puts it, “In the words of my classmates, though some of our efforts weren’t enough, it will only encourage us to work way harder the next time.”

The whole reason for this Olympiad is to help learners to be aware of the things that take place around the world and to help them not to be ignorant of these things. It also challenges them to come up with solutions that might help solve the problems that are experienced each and every day. The purpose is to expose scholars to the working environment in geographical field.

The Olympiad consisted of 40 different questions as well as 5 questions based on our experience. Although it was a difficult test with 40 questions answered in 2 hours, it was an opportunity to test the learners in their knowledge on the different events that take place around the world and how these things shape our society, environment and economy.

The Olympiad has been running since 2021 and improves every year. Some of our schoolmates came out amongst the top 15% students in the whole country. These learners were Bonginkosi Sikhonde (Top 15%) in Grade 11.2, Mbulaheni Mbali (Top 10%) in Grade 12 and Madimetsa Choechoe (Top 5%) Indeed they made the school and the teachers as well as themselves very proud. We would like to thank our amazing geography teacher, Mr C.P. Ngorora, for giving us the opportunity to explore geography in full view, promising him that come next year we will be in the top three ranking.



Die Afrikaans Olimpiade 2024

Die Afrikaans Olimpiade was baie pret. Dit was my eerste keer dat ek aan só `n Olimpiade deelgeneem het. Die ervaring was vir my beter as wat ek gedink het, voordat ons begin het. In die eerste plek was alles aanlyn en ons hoef nie lang sinne te geskryf het nie. Ons mos net die korrekte letters gekies het. Ek was aan die begin baie senuweeagtig, maar ook opgewonde. Dit het my laat besef dat ek alles kan doen as ek daarop ingestel is. Dit het my ook laat besef dat my deelname daaraan deure vir my kan oopmaak. Ek wil nie net volgende jaar weer deelneem nie, maar my Afrikaans uitbrei. Ek wil ook ander leerders aanmoedig om daaraan deel te neem, want dit het my horison verbreed. Ten slotte het dit my bewus gemaak van geleenthede wat daar vir die Afrikaanse taal is.

Geskryf deur Tyler Govender Graad 10.2

Die Afrikaanse Olimpiade hierdie jaar was vir my beter en makliker as verlede jaar. Dit is dus die tweede keer wat ek daaraan deelgeneem het. Dit bied `n geleentheid om nuwe begrippe te leer oor verskeie aspekte in die wêreld van die Afrikaanse taal. Ons kon ons kennis buite die klaskamer toets.

Ek praat ook namens my mede leerders. Ons sien uit daarna om dit volgende jaar weer te doen, want dit word elke jaar interessanter. Al die leerders met wie ek na die Olimpiade gepraat het, het gesê dat dit `n wonderlike ervaring was. Ons het almal pret gehad. Olimpiade 2025 hier kom ons!

Geskryf deur Fabiolah Lakey Graad 11.1



My gunsteling persoon

’n Perfekte rolmodel vir my, is my pa. Hy is ’n wonderlike mens. My pa is ’n held vir my. Hy is iemand na wie ek altyd kan opkyk. Hy is dié eerste persoon aan wie ek dink as ek in ’n krisis is.

Al my belangrike lewensbesluite is saam met hom geneem. In die werklikheid was ek nog nooit spyt dat ek sy raad gevolg het nie. My pa is my rolmodel vanweë sy toewyding aan sy loopbaan. Hy doen baie moeite om vir ons gesin te voorsien. Hy is altyd daar om my by my skooluitstappies te ondersteun. Hy inspireer my om dinge te doen waarvoor ek bang is. Hy help my selfs met my skoolwerk.

My pa leer my belangrike lewenslesse soos hoe om ander met respek te behandel. Hy moedig my ook aan om elke dag nuwe dinge te leer. My pa is my liefste “maatjie” en ek is só dankbaar vir hom in my lewe.

Hy leer my hoe om teenoor ander mense op te tree. Ek moet beleefd met my ouers wees, behoeftiges help en die belangrikste is om nooit iets negatiefs oor iemand te sê nie. Hy wil hê ek moet wys word vir die toekoms.

My pa het baie opofferings gemaak om aan die eise van ons hele gesin te voldoen. Hy is ’n besige man, maar hy maak altyd tyd vir sy familie en vriende. Sy kantoor is ’n lang afstand van ons huis af. Hy word elke dag vroeg wakker om te verseker dat hy betyds vir sy werk is. Dit is ook iets wat ek by hom geleer het.

Ek het ook by hom geleer dat ek nie moet huil as ek foute gemaak het nie. My pa sê dat foute is daar om ons te leer. My pa het begrip vir wat ek elke dag deur gaan en ek weet sy pogings is om my te help om ’n beter mens te word. Ek kan ook God, die Vader in hom sien.

Lerato Letsatsi Graad 11.2

From The Classroom to the Theatre - Othello

Shakespeare has never been any learner’s favourite because of his complicated language despite amazing storylines. The class of 2024 had an epic opportunity of experiencing this rather complicated language acted live on stage. On the 14th of May, we went to the University of Johannesburg Kingsway Campus, best known for its famous Arts Centre housing a phenomenal stage to watch Othello acted out by professional actors.



Who would have thought that we would get the chance to see some celebrities the likes of, Anele Situlweni, best known for the role he played on Savage Beauty, a Netflix production. The production was interesting and enlightening. It was a riveting experience that really put the play into perspective, aiding us with understanding the themes and the plot of the drama. Having never watched a play before, watching the production was a new experience that I really enjoyed. I’m grateful that I had such an educating opportunity and I think that all the grade 12 learners felt the same.



A Memorable Geography Trip

The 2024 Geography class comprising of grade 10 -12 embarked on an unforgettable Geography camp to Parys, a beautiful town nestled in the heart of the Free State. Not only was the trip adventurous, it also provided an invaluable learning experience with a lot of memories to cherish. One of the highlights was an exciting outdoor activity where we used live maps, compasses, and bearings to navigate the farm's vast grounds. This hands-on experience honed our map skills and challenged us to think on our feet, making geography not just a subject, but an exploration of the real-world.



The trip also featured thrilling river rafting on the Vaal River, where we witnessed the river shaping the landscape in ways we had previously only learned about in class. Our rafting experience gave us the chance to explore how the river's currents form rocks and riverbanks, deepening our understanding of erosion and deposition. The hikes we took also helped us engage with geographical features like fault lines, hills, and different types of rocks, further reinforcing our classroom studies in an immersive way. In addition to the adventure activities, we visited the Vredefort Dome, the world's largest and most deeply eroded meteorite impact structure. We learned about the different types of rocks in the area, including quartzite, granite, and slate, and explored the geological formations, discovering how some rocks were formed by volcanoes while others were found on ancient beaches. This excursion was not only educational but also eye-opening for those of us exploring potential careers in geography.



A special thanks goes to Mr. Ngorora, who made this trip possible. His dedication allowed us to explore geography in an interactive and exciting way, catering to various learning styles. The camp helped many of us with different approaches to learning, while also inspiring those of us considering a career in geography. This trip didn't just impart knowledge—it fostered teamwork, leadership, and a deeper love for learning.



By Bonolo (Grade 10), Judah (Grade 10), Chantelle (Grade 11), Princess(Grade 11) & Karabo (Grade 11)

Leaders of Integrity

As per norm, 2024 leadership training took place during the June holidays. Despite taking some of our sleep time, the training was worth every moment of it. We were all encouraged to be more passionate about school activities and to participate in every aspect of the school. The morning devotions were very powerful and taught us more about our loving Christ. It was a privilege to learn about the power of a leader and how we can implement what we learnt in our everyday lives. Team building was a major aspect explored in the leadership training, allowing students to learn about teamwork by communicating and working swiftly with one another. While being involved in different activities we learnt how to rely on each member of the team. These activities challenged many of us to develop time management skills and learn the importance of communication. It was indeed a huge privilege to be a part of this leadership training which taught us many different skills as well as experiencing what true leadership with integrity is all about. We are blessed to have Pastor John who is dedicated in raising leaders of integrity in our school. - **Ms B Leketi**





Valedictory Service

The 2024 Grade 12 Valediction ceremony was a wonderful spectacle with mixed emotions as we celebrated our learners' achievements as well as mourning the coming parting after many years of bonding – some 12 years in fact. It was truly an honour to have an outstanding 99% learner attendance. This was not only a parting ceremony but a platform for creating long lasting memories engraved in all our hearts through celebration and reflection.

Key Highlights:

- **Pastor Zwane's Message:** Pastor Zwane delivered a poignant prayer and offered words of spiritual encouragement.
- **Principal's Address:** The principal spoke metaphorically about life's challenges, describing them as "uncharted and intimidating high seas" that remain so until we venture into them, encouraging the learners to embrace challenges with courage.
- **Head Boy's Speech:** Thando, the outgoing Head Boy, reflected on his personal growth, attributing his maturity and integrity as a leader to his involvement in sports, which had a profound impact on his development.
- **Head Girl's Speech:** Kirsten Williams shared a nostalgic moment about how she began her journey in Grade R, noting how quickly the years have passed and how the memories seem like just yesterday.
- **Student Representative's Speech:** Maropeng, who represented all Grade 12s, spoke about the significant role soccer played in shaping his studies, life, and leadership abilities.
- **Grade 12 Teacher's Efforts:** It is an honour to salute one Grade 12 teacher who displayed great dedication by standing for almost 1 hour 30 minutes to carefully read all the names, surnames, and awards without a break. Her main quote was an uplifting reminder of faith: "God's got this, He is concerned about me. He is working in my life. He is bigger than my enemies. He is lining up the right people. He is arranging things in my favour."
- **Awards:** Shayanne Davids was the top achiever, receiving most of the awards, followed by Phathutshedzo Matidze. All Grade 12 learners were recognized with a character trait certificate, and certificates celebrating their unique contributions and personalities.

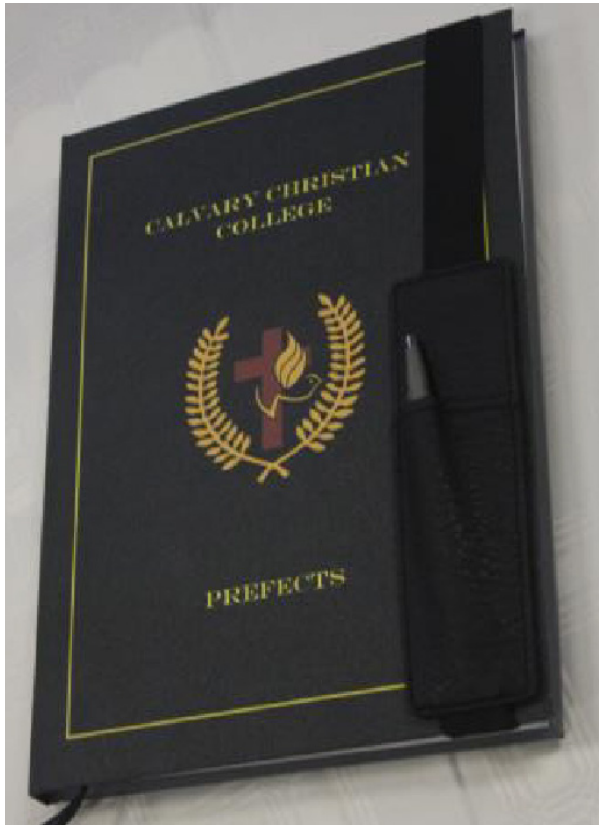
Vote of Thanks: Mr. Dendere A.P., the FET phase HOD, motivated the class of 2024 to stay focused on their studies and most importantly remain rooted in the teachings and love of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Closing Prayer: The event ended with a release of blessings from Pastor Zwane who also thanked the Lord Jesus Christ for the successful culmination of the new leadership appointments and the Grade 12 Valediction.

This valediction marked a beautiful farewell for the Grade 12 learners, filled with gratitude, inspiration, and hope for the future.

Regards

Dendere A.P.



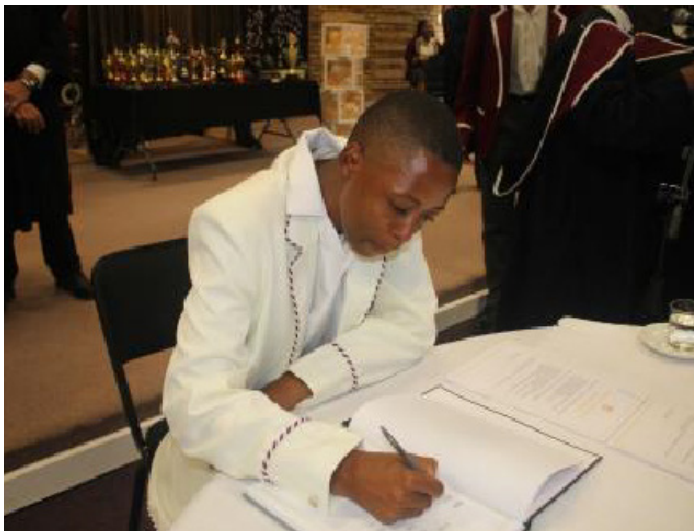
2025 Calvary Christian College Investiture

It is Calvary Christian College's tradition to also relieve the prefects of their duties at the end of the third terms and the incoming prefects officially take over all the functions of the outgoing prefects.

Investiture refers to the process of formally granting authority and power to the incoming prefects and officially recording their names in The Investiture Book which is an official 100-page book in which new prefects enter their names as acknowledgment of their new role. This was a very important moment for Calvary Christian College and the incoming, 2024-5 prefects as they are going to be the first group to make history with regards to this special book, by being the first entrants into the Investiture Book. We cordially thank Pastor John van Breda and Pastor Sandile Zwane for allowing this special initiative. Once again thank you to Mr W Barkhuizen for such a brilliant idea. Thank you

Mr C. P Ngorora (Teacher-In-Charge of Leaders) for officiating the process.

Head boy/girl 2024/25 signing in:





Science Expo



Endemic Science winner

I am overwhelmed with gratitude and joy as I reflect on my journey as a winner in the Science Expo GET Phase. This incredible experience has taught me much more than just science – it has shown me the power of perseverance, hard work, and support.

I want to express my deepest gratitude to my teachers, family, and friends who believed in me and encouraged me every step of the way. Your guidance, patience, and enthusiasm were the driving forces behind my project, and I couldn't have done it without you.

Winning the Science Expo is not just a personal achievement; it's a testament to the collective effort and dedication of our entire community. I feel proud to be part of a network that values curiosity, creativity, and innovation.

As I move forward, I will carry this experience with me, knowing that the true prize was the journey itself – the late nights, the setbacks, and the moments of triumph. Thank you again to everyone who supported me. I am truly grateful and humbled by this experience.

Karabo Motloug 7.1



The Endemic Science Expo took place on Friday and Saturday, May 10 and 11, and it was an explosive event! The expo provides young scientists with the opportunity to address problems within their communities through science. Project ideas ranged from security systems for the underprivileged to using algae as a bio-fuel to generate electricity.

The judging panel consisted of seven experts in various fields of science and education. There were many prizes available, including an inverter sponsored by Voltex worth R20,000 and a scholarship from Lunar Solar worth R15,000.

The first prize for the younger grades category was awarded to Karabo Motloug from Calvary Christian College. His project involved the hydrolysis of water into oxygen and hydrogen, with the oxygen gas supplying hospitals and the hydrogen gas being used as an alternative energy source.



St. Mary's Waverley took first place in the older grades, winning the inverter and many other prizes.

In 2025, the Endemic Science Expo will return even bigger and better than in 2024!

Mrs Naude (Endemic Science Expo Coordinator)

Science leads the way

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.” - Margaret Mead, cultural anthropologist.

“This should remind us all that even the smallest of us can change the world for the better - as long as we stick together,” explained Mokoari, a learner and Calvary Christian College. “We live in a country that has many social and environmental problems but we do not have solutions for them.

“Let’s look at load-shedding for instance. What if there was a way around that? The Science Way because it can make so many lives easier. Calvary Christian College is hosting an Endemic Science Fare where young minds put their heads together battling it out for the first place in proving science is the solution to problems within our immediate community. This was part of the motivational letter issued to schools for the 2025 Endemic Science Fare.”

“Join us on this experiential journey as we explore scientific advancements paving the way for a better future. “Come to engage with leading researchers and visionaries at the forefront of innovation.

“Explore interactive exhibits and demonstrations that spotlight initiatives tackling the issues we are facing, not just load-shedding, but also water-shedding and many more.

“An opportunity to get insights on how science can be the way for a better change.” The initiative has attracted sponsors from all walks of life.

Their generosity and commitment to advancing scientific knowledge have been instrumental in making this event a success.

Prepare to embark on a thought-provoking Endemic Science Expo, scheduled to take place on May 11 at Calvary Christian College from 09:00 to 12:00.

“Immerse yourself in a captivating showcase of research, discussions about catalysing positive social and environmental change through The Science Way. Who knows, you could just have lights in your home all year round!”

Tinyiko Thagane Mokoari





Science Expo

What an experience! 2024 Endemic Science Expo



Our Grade 11 and 12 Learners had the experience of a life time when they were part of the crew who were participating in the Endemic Science Expo 2024. The visit to the Next Biosciences Laboratory on Wednesday, 13 March 2024 will always be engraved in their memories. Not only did they enjoy themselves, it was also a learning curve which saw them gaining more insight into the understanding of stem cells. This insightful and eye-opening experience evoked a certain reactions from the few learners who took part. They couldn't stop bragging to their friends about how this exposure could not be traded for anything. We caught up with some of the grade 12 learners who had this to say:



"During my time at the laboratory, I learnt that THE BLADDER CAN BE REGROWN using stem cells, in cases where it may be damaged due to a variety of diseases. I also learnt about the reproductive journey, PQT-A testing can be conducted on the embryo (if people opted to use IVF to fall pregnant) to test for chromosomal abnormalities and viability for life. In cases of miscarriages, a POC-Screen can be done to see if the foetus died from an abnormality or the mother's uterus wasn't healthy enough to sustain a baby." - **Kea Matoma.**



Yesterday's trip was insightful and very informative. It was the first-time I was in a lab environment and it did not disappoint. Although the team was mostly female, I'd love to work in a similar environment in the future. The diverse use of the placenta in creating bandages, eye drops and stem cells, that can essentially be stored forever, really showed me that the world is full of possibilities." - **Matibe Dzivhani.**



"The trip to Next Biosciences was amazing. It provided insight about how Next Biosciences offers the Viome Gut Microbiome Test, a personalised health and wellness service that delivers science-based food and supplement recommendations based on an analysis of the gut microbiome. We also learnt that they only accept umbilical cord samples from planned C-sections for product development and got the chance to see a real-life placenta. The staff were amazing. It really was an awesome experience." - **Naledi Nqokwane.**

"Today's outing was phenomenal. I learnt so much, it was amazing how stem cells can change the lives of many families or that pregnancy can be so beneficial because from it we can get eye drops that mimic natural tears or bandages that encourage cell development for severely injured areas of the body. The presentations just amplified my love and passion to pursue Gynecology and be part of the people who change the lives of many unborn babies." - **Phathu Matidze**



"Today's outing was quite interesting. I learnt about the ethical use of the stem cells of an umbilical cord to help give children treatment in case they fall ill. I was really baffled by the fact that chromosomal abnormalities and birth defects can be detected in-utero from as early as 10 weeks." - **Kirsten Williams**

"The trip was an eye opener to a part of science which I didn't really find interesting at all in the beginning. I ended up with more notes than expected and I learnt that life sciences branches into some interesting careers which are quite different from what I've been exposed to." - **Matla Bodibe**



CALVARY CHRISTIAN COLLEGE ...DEVELOPING FUTURE LEADERS OF INTEGRITY Cross-Country Boys Team 2024



HARDPENG MAHLABA Captain
MATHLOGONOLO BOOIBE
OLEBOGONG CHOCHOI
BOKGETHEHO HLANYANE
JUDAH LEFANO
TSHIANO HARINGA
KGALENA MAUPA



KWABELE MKUKWANA
TSHIANO NOLEKANE
THANDOLWETHU NGUBANE
KHAYALETHU NKOSI
UNARINE RANUAGELI
ONPHILE THABEDE

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CALVARY CHRISTIAN COLLEGE ...DEVELOPING FUTURE LEADERS OF INTEGRITY Cross-Country Girls Team 2024



SIPHESHLE MADIBA
PHATHUSHEDZO MATIIZE
MPHO MUDOGWA
VHUGALA NEMUDIVHISO



JASMIN RAJAH
NOOBILE TSHABALALA
ORATWA TSOSANE
KIRSTEN WILLIAMS

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CALVARY CHRISTIAN COLLEGE ...DEVELOPING FUTURE LEADERS OF INTEGRITY U/11 Netball Team 2024



SONGUTHANDO KHUMALO Captain
TAMEYN BENNETT
LWANDILE DIALI
YENELE LEFOKA
ZIKSWA MADIBA
HADZIMI MALEFE
ANESU MANGWIRO



OMONTLE MANYAMA
RENEZLWE MASHIKE
GRACIA MHLANGA
JOY MPHALELE
TENDANI NETSHENI
ZIBUSISO NGOMANE
RILEY PAULSEN

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CALVARY CHRISTIAN COLLEGE ...DEVELOPING FUTURE LEADERS OF INTEGRITY U/13 Netball Team 2024



DAKALO RAMUTHAGA Captain
KAYDEEN BROWN
BLESSED KHOSA



BOKAMOSO METSWAMERE
CHISIMDI NEBONTA
SPHESHLE NGUBANE

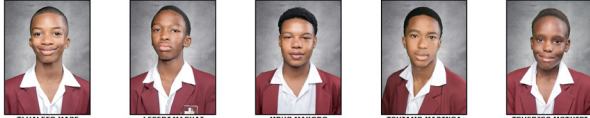
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Uniquely Primary School Futsal Soccer

The second annual Interhigh Six-a-Side Futsal Soccer Tournament organized and presented by Calvary Christian College recently took place at the school. It was a spectacular event showcasing the skills of the eight schools whose talents were on display.

The eight teams played each other in two pools over two days. On Friday night the field was flood lit to give the teams the experience of playing under floodlights and then on Saturday, they played under normal conditions. For many of the teams it was their first time to play on a flood lit field and they all certainly enjoyed the experience.

The seven invited schools, other than the host school, Calvary Christian College, included amongst others Forest High, Elethu Themba, Die Fakkell and Nkosi's Haven.

The soccer was of an extremely high quality delivering spectacular shots from the various strikers but equally great saves from the goalies. There are no throw ins in Futsal – the ball is simply put on the line and the game is resumed - and so the game is played at a very lively pace. No slide tacking limits the number of injuries, although the paramedics still had to attend to some injuries.

Great music and the Calvary cheerleaders kept the spectators entertained during the change overs between games, while the tuck shop kept them well fed. The event was certainly made more exciting by the live commentating of each and every game by a really talented young man by the name of Lihle Ntshuntshe. The semi-finalists included Calvary Christian

College and Die Fakkell in the first match and Forrest High and Elethu Themba in the second game. Die Fakkell and Forrest High went through to the final which was won by Forrest High by 2-0.

The prizes were awarded as follows:

- Best goalie Samson Banda of Die Fakkell
- Most Influential player of the tournament – Chad Martin of Calvary Christian College.
- Best Manager - Mr Nelson of Forrest High
- The runners up were Forest High
- The winners were Die Fakkell.

Until next year!



Uniquely Primary School Futsal Soccer

Calvary Christian College broke new ground when its first Inter Primary Schools Futsal Soccer event took place recently. Five schools including Naturena one and Naturens two, as well as Ormonde Primary, Aloe Ridge and Calvary Christian College Primary school took part. This event follows two weeks after Calvary hosted a similar inter high school challenge.

The event kicked off with a walk on of each school, properly introduced and acknowledged by the spectators. The players and coaches were welcomed by Mr Barkhuizen, the principal, followed by a prayer by Pastor Sandile Zwane.

The players demonstrated remarkable skill for such young players. There were some superb shots at goal and some equally magnificent saves by the goalies. In the midfield, some teams controlled the ball and played better than others. Rolling substitutes were allowed and so the games flowed fluently from one side to the other.

The soccer tournament was won by Ormonde Primary School and the runners up were Naturena Primary. The best coach was Jovis Menjelele and the best goalkeeper of the tournament went to Boikanno Moilola of Aloe Ridge. The "most influential player" of the tournament was Chaloh Henning, dubbed "Short Stuff" by the commentator on the day. This young man was acknowledged for his deft touches on the ball, his tireless work rate and great skill.

The commentator, Lihle Ntshuntshe provided all with great touches of humour and a minute by minute running commentary on the games being played. The event ended with the awarding of medals and a trophy to the winning team and medals to the runners up. After the singing of the national anthem, Pastor Sandile closed in prayer.

The event was coupled with a summer festival featuring an Entrepreneurs Day for the schools grade nine learners, an open day and visits by the Johannesburg Metro Police (JMPD) and the Local Fire Brigade. Throughout the day the spectators and visitors came and went but all in all it was a fantastic day.





Sport



“I will persist until I succeed”: Cross Country 2024

The cross country season started in Term 2. We were introduced to: Fartlek, Indian File and Hill training. We had competitions on Mondays and Fridays at Rietvlei. For the first time ever Calvary Christian College entered the Southern District League, where we participated against 13 other schools. Calvary’s Senior Boys were placed 6th overall, while our Senior Girls were placed 4th overall.

Our bodies were in shock after our first race. “It is easy to run cross country, you just put one foot in front of the other,” Mrs Nel told us one morning. However, she did not mention the determination it takes one to actually complete a race. I must say, after completing a race, you feel like a champion.

Five Calvary learners made it to the Southern District team: Maropeng (Grade 12) representing our Senior Boys, Princess (Grade 11), Vhugala (Grade 11), Oratwa (Grade 12), Nqobile (Grade 11) representing our Senior Girls. Well done to them.

Thank you to Mrs Nel, Ms Good and Ms Diko for the training sessions, as well as your support. We truly appreciate you.

Kirsten Williams



Calvary Court Queens – The Netball Journey

Despite a slow, discouraging start Calvary Court Queens, driven by the school theme, Pride, Passion and Participation, rose to become a more determined, zealous team. I’m proud to say that the U17s netball girls lived up to all three Ps. This netball season had its ups and downs. Out of our five games, we won one. Sad, I know. However, the one game we won was a memorable game for the netball girls.

Losing other games did not stop us from playing. We never lost hope and we continued to lift each other up even with the results we produced. One thing I know is that we don’t play just to win but for the love and passion we have for the sport. The transition from SACSA to GDE was a tough one. It introduced us to a higher level of competition where in each game new skills were adopted, helping us to up our game. Our journey this season was filled with unforgettable memories. The excitement of our only win, the lessons learnt from our losses and the support we gave each other made this season special.

I believe that we made it through the season because of prayer, our team spirit and determination. New players meant a new team altogether and our bond grew stronger with each game, improving the chemistry among players making it easier to blend well and take charge in the court. Each practice session and every game was a testament of our commitment and love for netball.

Reneilwe Netshiheni





2024 Netball Season

This year's netball season has been the best in our history with Calvary. From the teams formed by the coaches to the friendships built, and even adapting to the change of leagues, it has been an incredible experience.

Although we had a rocky start, we had to remember that we were new to playing against these public schools and not be too hard on ourselves. Game after game, I saw us trying very hard, and our efforts showed on the court. Every time we played, our skills improved, showing how passionate we are about netball.

When we finally got our first win, we were all so happy. We had been working so hard, and we had finally done it! If there is one thing this season has shown me, it is that we need to keep working towards what we want to achieve, even if we fail countless times. God has a plan, and He will act in His own time.

To all the ladies I was fortunate enough to play with this season, thank you. You all played a part in helping me develop and get better at netball. We had some incredibly good times together and encouraged each other to never give up. Here's to a bigger and better season next time.

Reneilwe Netshiheni

Regional Volleyball

Regional volleyball took place on February 10th at Covenant. We traveled to the tournament on the school bus, and I was feeling excited on the way there. Upon arrival, we set up our gazebo and began warming up for our matches. We practiced serving, setting the ball, and spiking. Throughout the event, we played a total of five matches, but unfortunately, we lost all of them.

As the captain of the under-15 boys team, I was responsible for selecting the players for each half of the games. I had a strategy of starting with our best players to gain an early lead and then bringing in the others to finish strong in the second half. Despite the losses, the regional volleyball tournament was enjoyable, and everyone had a good time without any injuries.

Tshiamo Maringa





Sport



Spiking Success: Calvary's Volleyball Journey

Volleyball, often underestimated for its simplicity, proved to be a game-changer for us, bringing together individuals to play as a unified team. Our matches were intense, but our camaraderie and determination fuelled our journey to success. The ambassadors of Calvary Christian College donned the gorgeous school colours echoing our values of Pride, Passion, and Participation. We rose and stood out for the unwavering dedication to excellence and sportsmanship as we braced ourselves for both the cluster and regional championships. The fervent chants echoing through the fields were a testament to our unwavering support for one another and our school community.

The days we were playing were electrifying, pulsating with the palpable spirit of teamwork and encouragement. We cheered each other on through every triumphant spike and challenging rally, knowing that our collective strength would carry us through. Despite the outcome, we left everything on the court, buoyed by the unwavering camaraderie of our teammates. In the crucible of competition, conflicts occasionally arose, but these moments became catalysts for unity. The rallying cry of "lock in" propelled our under-19 team to glorious victories, while the thunderous roar of supporters ignited our performance during tense under-17 matches. Armed with calculated strategies and seamless teamwork, volleyball became a thrilling journey filled with unforgettable moments of triumph.

Though we bowed out of the tournament earlier than expected, our journey was not just about wins and losses, but about the bonds we formed, the challenges we overcame, and the growth we experienced individually, not to mention the ties that bound us as a team. Through perseverance, excellence, and comradeship, an enduring legacy was engraved on the school's sporting landscape. As we look back on our time together, we carry with us not only the memories made on the court but also the lessons learnt and the friendships forged, shaping us into better athletes and individuals for the future.

- Karabo Botsane & Bonginkosi Sikhonde

Volleyball Girls Nationals

Participating in the Volleyball Girls Nationals was a memorable experience that I was lucky to be a part of. The event took place at Kings School West Rand on March 16th, where teams from different schools competed. The bus ride to the venue was full of excitement and anticipation. When we arrived, seeing unfamiliar opponents made us a bit nervous, but it also gave us a chance to challenge ourselves.

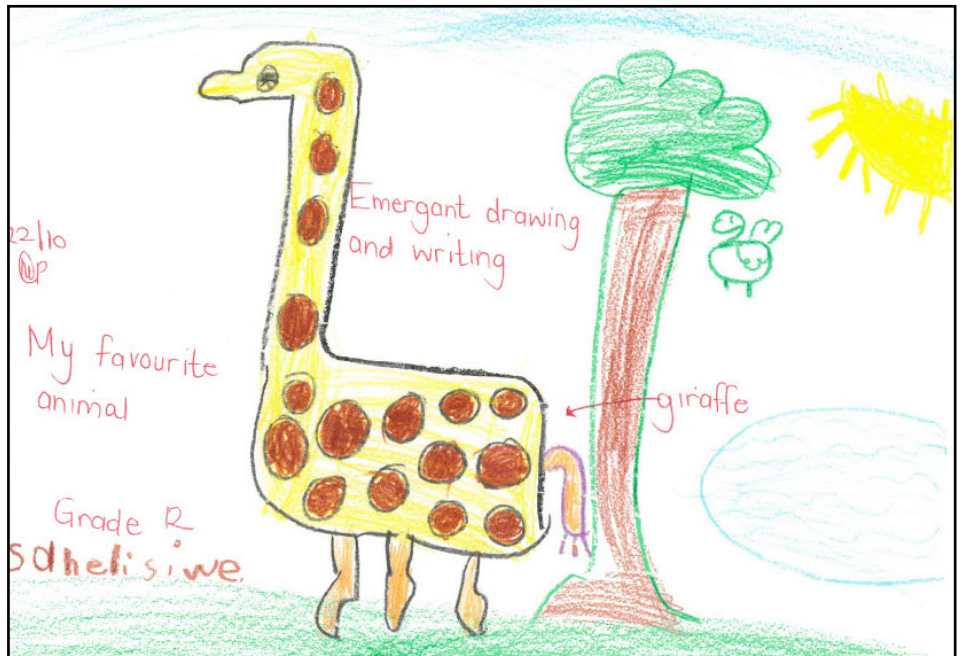
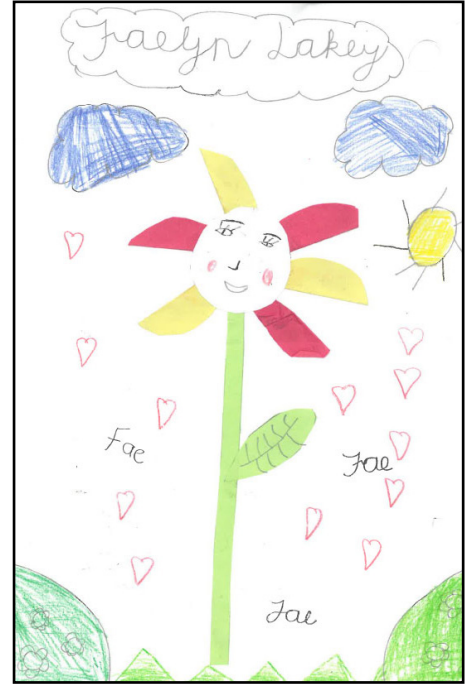
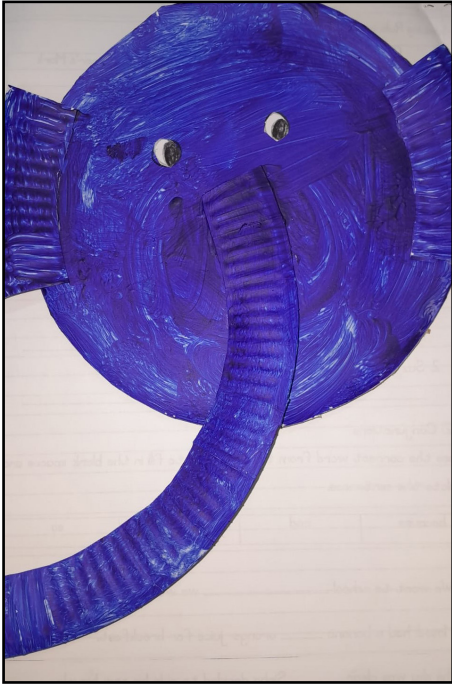
Competing against various teams taught us important lessons in strategy and gameplay. Even though we didn't win, each match helped us learn and encouraged us to work harder for our future games.



Personally, my volleyball journey has been about learning and progress. When I started playing, I knew nothing about the sport. However, by being dedicated and practicing regularly for two years, I grasped the basics and improved my skills.

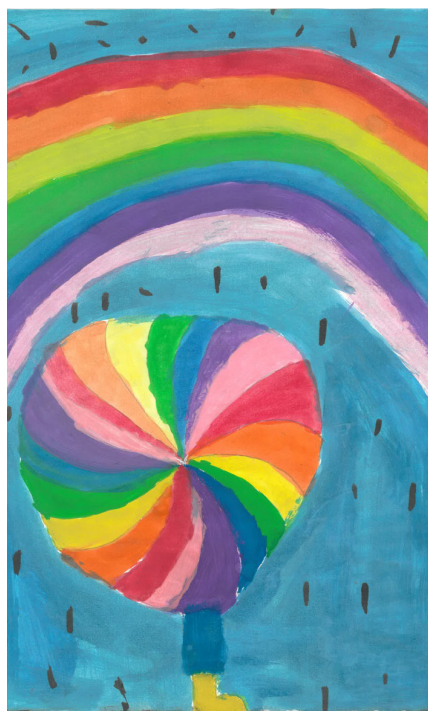
Volleyball might seem intimidating at first, but with practice, it becomes easier and more enjoyable. This sport brings both fun and challenges, making it a fulfilling experience. Our team's trip to Nationals shows how far we've come. Despite facing tough competition, it solidified our commitment to keep growing. I highly recommend trying volleyball—it not only boosts fitness but also promotes teamwork and personal development.

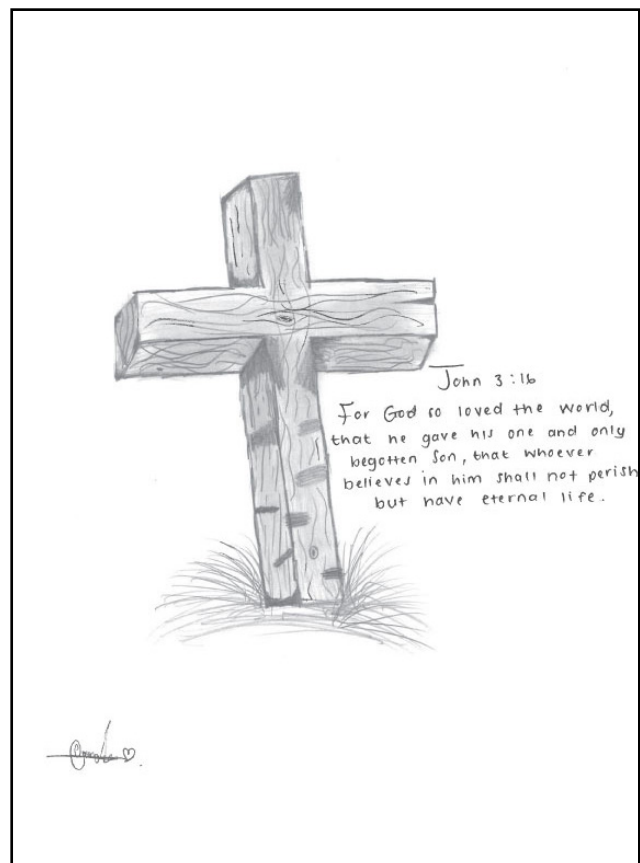
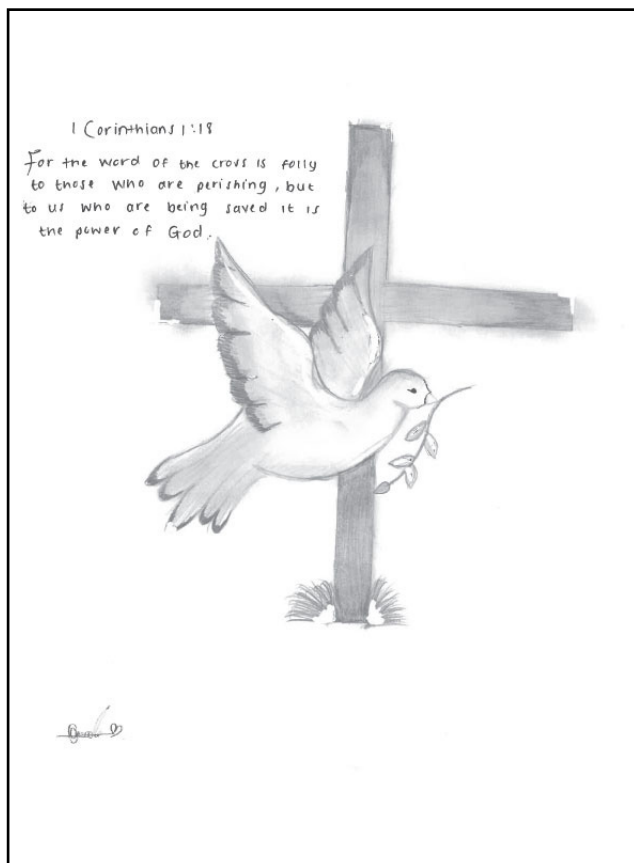
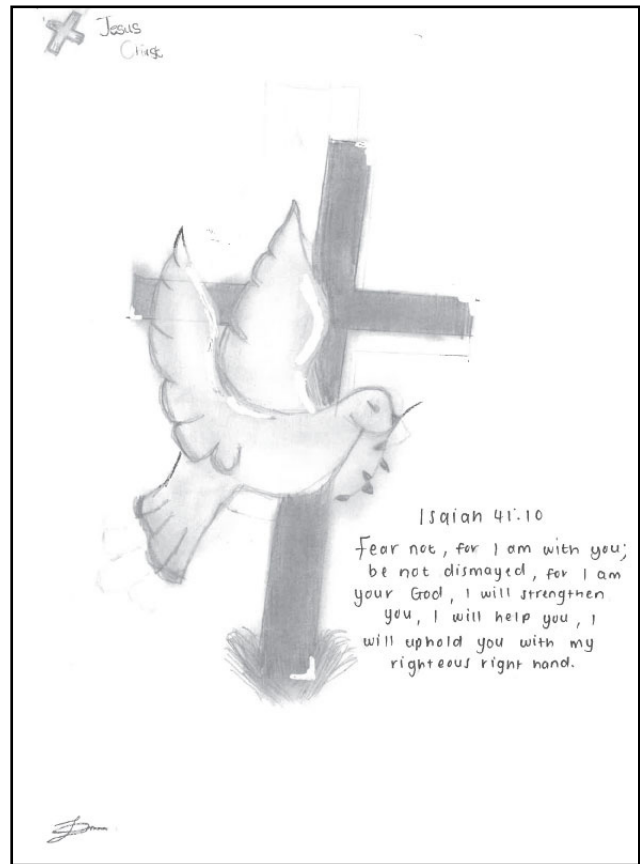
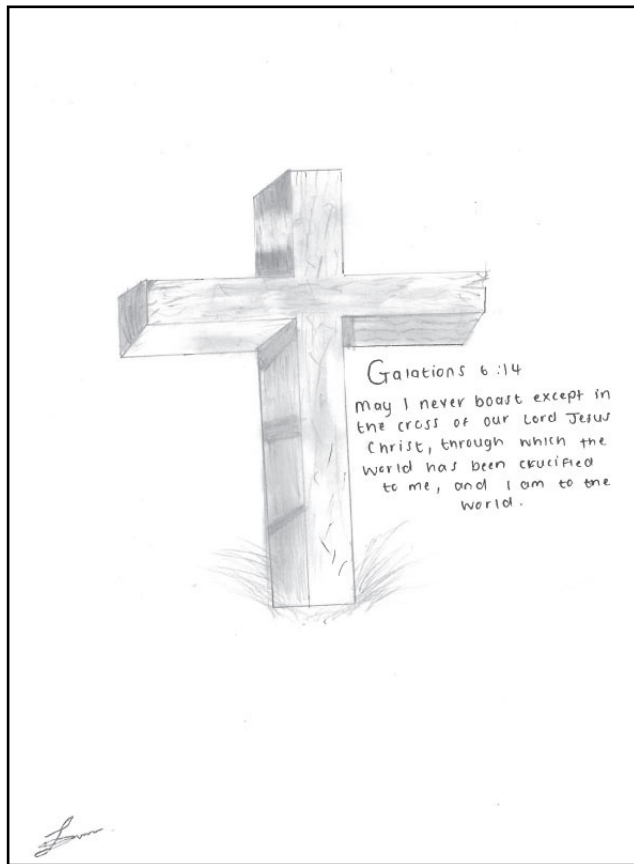
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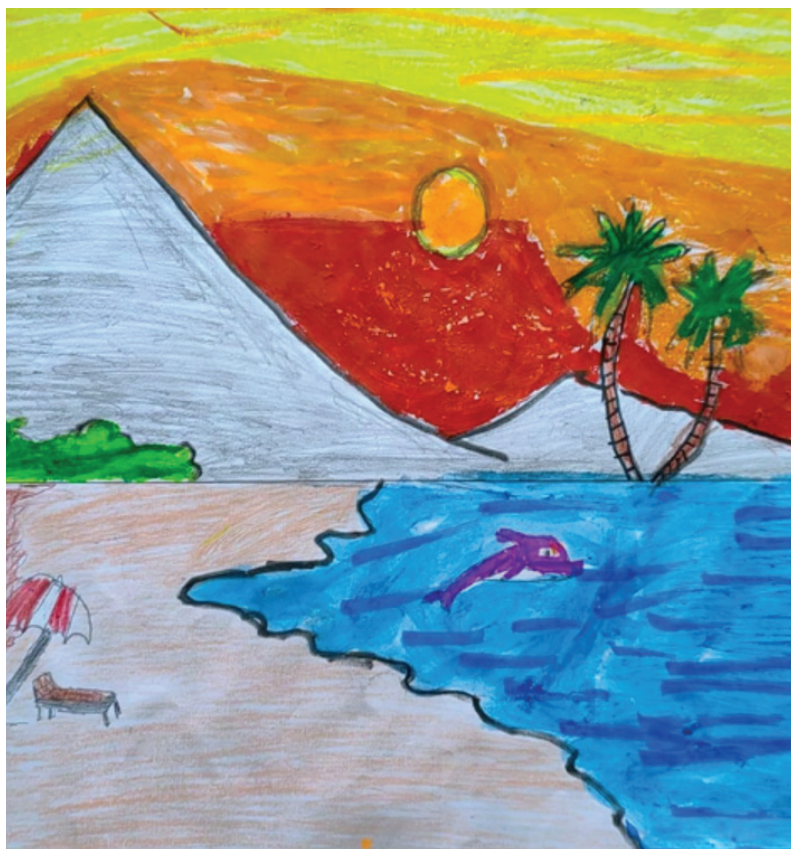
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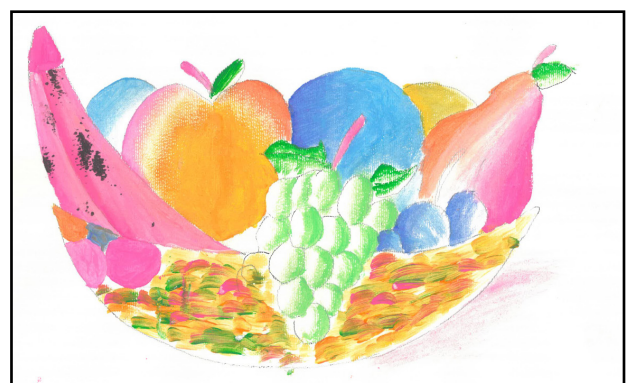
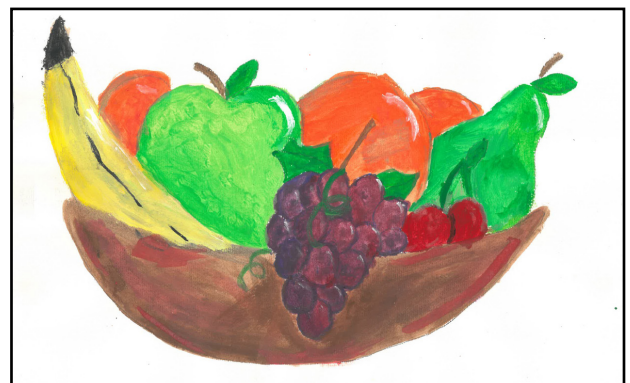
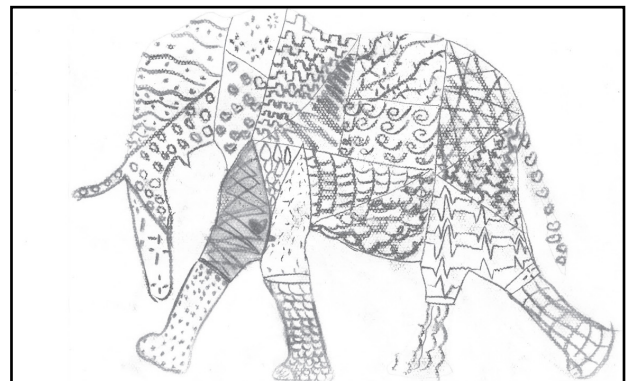
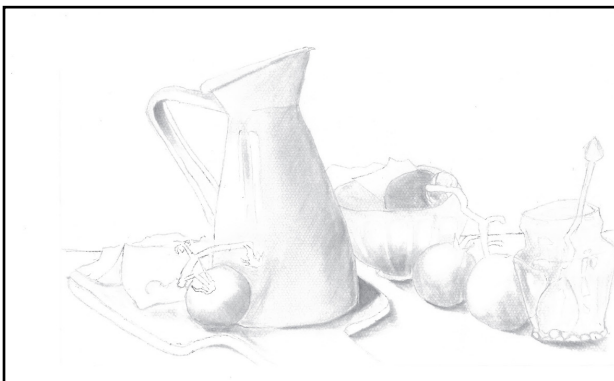
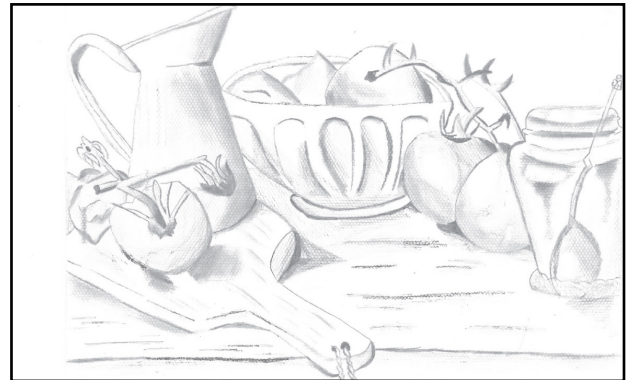
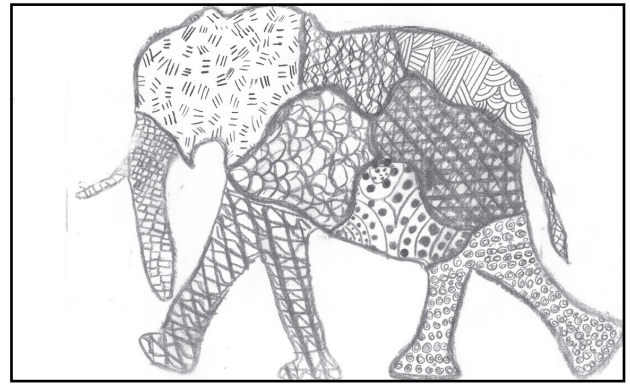
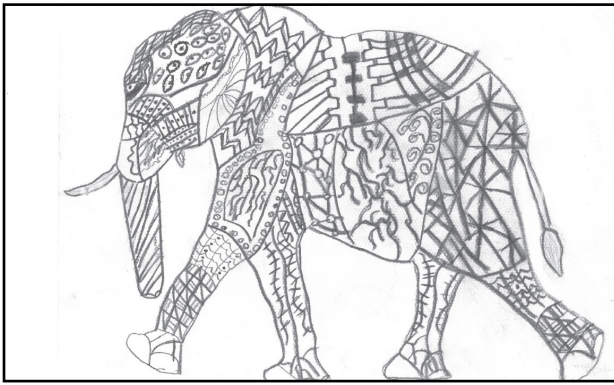






Art: High School







Pad Drive

Acts 20:35 “ It is more blessed to give than to receive”.

On October 11th, the Grade 11 girls visited Elethu Themba to bless the Grade 12 girls with sanitary pads and show them God's love. We've participated in many outreaches throughout the year, but this one was by far the best one. The connection we formed with the girls was truly unforgettable. It was amazing to witness how we could all relate to each other through the testimonies shared. Each of us had the opportunity to sit with a learner, listen to their life stories, and share our own. We have truly come this far only by God's grace.

The Grade 11 girls brought so much unity through the songs we sang, even joining with the Grade 12 girls in song as we prepared to depart. This outreach taught many of us to be thankful to God, even for the small things. We may not always understand the impact we have on others' lives, but it's important to remember that THE LITTLE YOU DO FOR SOMEONE MIGHT BE WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN PRAYING FOR.

Princess Mudogwa (11.1)

Reneilwe Netshikeni (11.2)



Public Speaking

Struggling with confidence and expressing thoughts is something I face, but public speaking offers a platform for me to confront these challenges. I vividly recall the moment my group was called up for their presentation; my heart pounded, and my hands trembled. However, as I began speaking, the nervousness melted away. Though all eyes were on me, I focused on the supportive faces in the audience.

Witnessing the compelling speeches from other teams made me feel like I was at a grade 9 public speaking event. Public speaking not only boosts confidence but also nurtures assertiveness, essential qualities for leadership. Many participants this year demonstrated their ability to persuade and address pressing societal issues, offering viable solutions.

I'm continually impressed by the capabilities of our younger generation and despite my apprehensions, I aspire to participate in such events in the future. It's inspiring to witness numerous Calvarians stepping up to become future leaders of integrity.

Mologadi Seroto 9.2



Calvary Excels at National Olympiad

On 21 May 2024, Calvary Christian College along with 123 other schools nationally, participated in the South African National Geography Olympiad (SANGO). A total of 1568 learners participated in the Olympiad.

Mr Phillip Ngorora, the Geography teacher at Calvary Christian College enrolled 24 learners from grades 10 – 12 for this year's competition. Upon completion of the Olympiad one of the grade 11 learners described the questions as 'challenging but fair'.

The Calvary students did extremely well with Bonginkosi Sikhonde (Gr 11) ranked in the top 15% and Mbulaheni Mbali (Gr 12) in the top 10%. Our top achiever is Madimetsa Chochoe who was ranked in the top 5% in the country. Well done to our learners!



Great Donations to Worthy Causes

The parents of the learners at Calvary Christian College recently donated over 600 cans of food to the school to distribute to two projects. These projects were the Men's Ministry of Calvary Christian Church which works with some 20 men who collect the paper, cardboard and plastic from the rubbish bins and have taken refuge behind the Booyens Court. Every Saturday these men are fed a simple meal and the gospel shared with them. These men were so encouraged by the food parcel that they received.

The other project that the school donated to was Family Care Ministries which served 185 718 meals to the poor during 2023 covering various stations in Orange Farm, Eldorado Park, Evaton West, Noordgesig and Brixton. Calvary Christian College and Calvary Christian Church have had a long standing relationship with Pastor Josef Bitschnau who heads up Family Care Ministries. He was most appreciative of the donation.

Thank you to all who supported our initiative.



Blood Donations at Calvary Christian College

2024 saw Calvary Christian College hosting a series of successful blood donation drives. With the help of the South African National Blood Services (SANBS), we managed to collect 34 donations, which will be used to save over 100 lives. This effort has shown how one small act can make a big difference, and we are proud of the results.

As peer promoters, we learnt a lot about the importance of blood donations and how to motivate others to participate. It wasn't always easy to encourage students, teachers, and parents to donate, but having the right information and approach helped us achieve our goals. The donations came from a wide range of people within our school community, and we appreciate everyone who took part. Blood donation is a simple yet powerful way to serve others. It requires no recognition or reward, yet it has a huge impact. We've learned that offering help without the need to be seen, is what makes this act truly special.

We would not have done it without the endless support from SANBS team who guided us through the entire process, parents who gave their consents for their children to take part in the initiative, teachers, and students who donated. Each contribution made will surely save a life and that's something we can all be proud of. This experience has motivated us to continue encouraging blood donations, both at school and beyond, to help save more lives in the future.

- Karabo Botsane & Reneilwe Nestsiheni



A Heartfelt Visit to St. Mary's Orphanage

This Easter, I had the special opportunity to join the Grade 11 students and my classmates on a visit to St. Mary's Orphanage. We went with the simple aim of sharing Easter eggs with the children, but what we shared went far beyond that. It became a powerful reminder of God's love.

Having experienced the loss of a mother and the absence of a father myself, I felt a strong connection with the children at the orphanage. Their situation brought back memories of my own struggles with grief and loneliness. During our visit, I had the chance to share my testimony with them. I spoke about the deep sadness I felt after my mother passed away, how I felt completely lost, and how those dark days seemed endless. But it was in those very moments that I discovered the incredible love of God. His love became my source of hope and strength, guiding me through the hardest times. I wanted the children to understand that no matter how tough life gets, they are never truly alone because God's love is always with them.

The most touching part of the visit was seeing their smiles as we shared these moments together. We gathered in prayer, finding comfort in the love that God has for each of us. There was a strong sense of peace and understanding that, despite our challenges, God's love can lift us up. Afterwards, we played basketball, and in those moments of joy and laughter, I felt the warmth of God's love surrounding us all. It wasn't just about having fun; it was about experiencing God's love in a real and tangible way.

The visit to St. Mary's was more than just giving out Easter eggs; it was about sharing God's love and finding hope in His presence. This experience reminded me that even in our darkest times, God's love is always there, shining a light on our path. It's a memory I'll carry with me, knowing that His love never leaves us and that we are never truly alone.

Malaika Ngcobo

Grade 10.2





Events



Gospel Starz

Gospel Starz was an unforgettable evening, filled with incredible talent and energy. Initially, I didn't expect much from the performers, but they completely blew me away. The night featured a variety of performances, including dancing, singing, poetry recitations, and inspiring gospel messages. The MCs were fantastic, guiding the event smoothly and looking sharp in their outfits.

The sound and lighting crew deserve a big thank you for their hard work, as they made the event even more spectacular. Special appreciation goes to the teachers for their excellent organization, from arranging a delicious braai to providing top-notch service at the tuck shop. The entire event was a huge success, thanks to everyone's combined efforts.

Daniel Zwane 9.1



Entrepreneurs Day

My experience on Entrepreneur's Day on the 7th of September was both great and challenging. We arrived at school at 06:30 to set up our stalls, and everything ran smoothly for the first two hours. But at 08:00, the real action began! At first, business was slow, but then it became very busy and stayed that way until we ran out of stock.

My group was fantastic. There was a lot of understanding, cooperation, and overall good teamwork. We took turns in different roles, focusing on sales, production, and marketing. It was phenomenal that we were able to spend the most money as a group and still make the most money back. We acknowledged each other's contributions, which made my day a great one.

The experience of selling for the first time was nerve-racking and overwhelming, especially since we were unsure if people would like what TDBTK Treats was offering. The challenge of running out of change was scary because many customers needed it. While it was a good sign, it also created difficulties. Thankfully, Mrs. Naude came to the rescue with plenty of coins and notes to help my group.

When we finally ran out of stock, we felt a sense of accomplishment, and I couldn't help but think, "I DID IT...WE DID IT!!!"

In conclusion, I'm glad to say it was a very good experience and a well-spent Saturday. I am truly blessed to attend a school like Calvary Christian College that allows for such events, even during a soccer tournament and on an open day.

Lastly, I would like to thank my group members—Dylan Nkomo, Bonolo Kgesa, Thembela Ndlovu, and Tumelo Seroto—for all the hard work they put in to achieve the best results.

Katlego Morudi 9.2





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