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AN ONLINE SEMESTERLY REPORT TO PARENTS

TERM 1 AND 2 OF 2024

FROM PRINCIPAL'S DESK

In our strategic planning session held in 2023, we declared 2024 as a year for the implementation of plans and programmes for the betterment of our institution.

A full scale implementation of the Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Programme bears testimony of the start of great things.

Tsogang Water, Sanitation and Hygiene <https://tsogang.org/> is a Non Governmental Organization (NGO) aiming at expanding access to safe managed water, sanitation, and hygiene services.

Our school partnered with Tsogang and the Project will provide 13 x 10 000 Jojo tanks erect new 18 flushing toilets seats to improve the hygiene of our kids. This is a donation from



TSOGANG WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE PROJECT

Tsogang WASH Organization which came opportunely as a good Samaritan. During the first term of 2024, the Project began at the community. Water extensions were made to various points in Mmotwaneng Village to enable villagers to access water at ease, especially the new household that had challenges of water and electricity. As a token of appreciation, Tsogang also erected a toilet and a hand wash station at the royal kraal of His Majesty the honourable Chief Mahlangu (Ndabezitha). The facilities will assist the community members visiting the royal kraal

“Proverb for the term”

A man falling in dark waters will seek for a momentary footing even on sliding stones



to promote good practices and uphold the vitality of hygiene amongst the entire community.

Presently, Tsogang WASH Project has renovated all ablution facilities in our school and installed thirteen (13) Jojo tanks of 10 000 litres each. The installation is done in preparation for the building of a massive 18 seater toilet facility which will cater for both boys and girls. Probably, the building project will commence when school recess for winter vacations.

The project has employed 20 labourers from the Local community in order to alleviate the overwhelming level of unemployment. This is solely a school project and all its benefits are for the school learners. The community shall not gain access to the water and ablution facilities in the school yard as the project started by considering the communal benefits.

The Human Resource

The school is on a mission of attracting young, energetic, qualified, competent, disciplined, responsible and accountable educators as outlined on the Vision and Mission statement. Presently, 70% of the teaching staff comprises of young educators. Recently, we successfully recommended the appointment of Ms. Mokoena KV and Ms. Rakgalakane C. The two are adding to the crew appointed post corona to bring change to the face of the school and enhance the provision of quality education.

The New school Governing Body also adopted the support staff and upheld the policy on cleanliness and beautification of the institution. The Assistant Librarian, Computer Tutor, Registry Clerk, Gardener and Assistant Security officer are kept in their post with new contracts of 12 months each. However, the Assistant Security Officer's fate will be determined by the night security company.

Two (2) new cleaners were appointed from parents to assist in cleaning the Administration block, Computer Laboratory, Science Laboratory Library and ablution facilities.

SPORTS

Our sports faculty is doing extremely well. In the first semester, the school has already participated in the following sporting events:

- ✓ Lipopo Schools Sports athletics
- ✓ Friendly out-match against Serokoloana Primary School at Diphagane Village
- ✓ Friendly in-match against Thushanang and Ntji Mothapo Primary School

This had been a great start of the year. Our kids displayed wonderful skills in all games and gained great results.

EDUCATIONAL TOUR

Our Foundation Phase had a very successful educational tour to Gold Reefs City in Gauteng Province. Parents supported the trip by paying for the kids and made all efforts in ensuring that kids are safe. We thank all parents for massive support they always show to our plans and endeavours

The next trip scheduled for August 2024 is for the Intermediate Phase. Learners shall visit Mpumalanga Panorama to learn and view the wonders of nature. The trip will include tourist junctions such as Echo Caves, Beurkes Luck Potholes, The Drie Rondavels, God's Window and Berlin falls. This is a two (2) days tour and our kids shall be accommodated at Blydepoor Forever Resort for a night. Hopefully this will be a wonderful trip packed with educational lessons from nature.

SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS CHORAL EISTEDDFOD 2024

Our school presented three (3) choirs to the 2024 eisteddfod. The Infact Choirs was conducted by Ms. Mtsweni SJ, Junior Choir was under the baton of Ms. Mokwana RL and Senior Choir was led by Ms. Mtsweni ZL

The Infant and Junior choirs emerged as victors at Cluster competitions and participated at District level. Ms. Mtsweni SJ scooped the best conductor's award at cluster level. At district level our choirs performed very well and brought home three trophies.

We would like to thank the sterling work done by all assistant conductors and Mr. Chego MP. With all love and passion, they collectively trained their choirs and ensured that they present some winning renditions in front of the audience. Well done colleagues, keep up the wonderful job.

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY ELECTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

We successfully managed to elect the School Governing Body which will be in charge of governance matters until March 2027. Our SGB comprises of the following members:

Chairperson	: Mr. Sumani SD
Deputy Secretary	: Ms. Mlaba DL
Secretary	: Ms. Mthimunye DA
Deputy Secretary	: Ms. Motau V
Treasurer	: Ms. Zwane MG
Finance Officer	: Mr. Tlaka MI
Member	: Mr. Disolwane KC
Member	: Ms. Matlala TY
Member	: Mr. Maile LF
Member	: Mr. Nkosi MK
Member	: Ms. Rampedi NS
Member	: Ms. Mdhuli L
Member	: Mr. Mamaila SS
Dept Rep	: Mr. Sihlangu SS

Three (3) of the above members were co-opted on basis of the expertise they possess. Amongst them we have a Social Worker, and two (2) professional nurses. We also have a members of the royal council who will assist in linking the School with the Royal Kraal.

ACADEMICS

Generally we performed very well in Term 1. We managed to hit 84.8% pass as compared to 81.74% that we obtained at the same time previous year. We however hope that these results will improve in term 2 as we shall be implementing a series of intervention programmes to assist learners who could not make it.

We urge all our learners, teachers and parents to enter term 2 with Zest and Vim. Let us all be prepared to double efforts in order to enhance the performance of our learners

Your unfailing support and cooperation will be held in high esteem

Yours Faithfully

Sihlangu SS
(Principal)