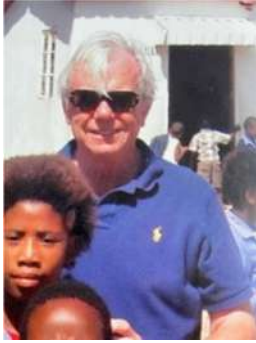


YOMELELANI NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2023

At the end of March we said a fond farewell to the three founding Trustees of the UK based Yomelelani Trust. Peter, Roger and Bryan have been instrumental in supporting the growth of the school from 50 to 235 children over the past 8 years. Apart from financial fund raising, they have been a great source of encouragement to Corny, Rose and the staff as well as the children of Yomelelani.

We wish Peter, Roger and Bryan a happy retirement and we know that they will continue to visit and support the school whenever possible.

(Peter, Roger and Bryan)



New Trustees

Richard and Sue Stone – Richard was a former senior partner with PWC London specialising in Corporate finance and Company Turnarounds. Post retirement (2000) Richard held a number of non executive positions and has been trustee for several charities. Sue is a South African by birth and held various PA Roles as well as running her own business prior to becoming a mother of 2 daughters. She has played an active role in a number of local UK Charities and has a passion for Yomelelani.

Gavin Masterton – Held a number of directorships within Smith's industries and Brown Brothers. He was Chair of Hertfordshire tennis and captain of Moor Park Golf Club. He has been involved in active charitable work for a number of years and is married with 2 daughters.

Ian McCarter - was head of Central London commercial Leasing for CBRE and is now an equity partner of Knight Frank specialising in commercial property in the West End. Ian was born in South Africa, went to Durham University and has 2 children.

(Sue and Richard, Gavin and Ian)



Catch up on 2022 - 2023 Events

Fundraisers

TWILIGHT – MARCH 2022

A Twilight evening amongst the milkwood trees in the Grotto at Piet se Bos, behind Dutchies Restaurant. The evening was kindly sponsored by the Joke Gonggijp of Dutchies. Good food, lovely music and a magical ambiance was enjoyed by all. The children stole the show with their singing and dancing and a highlight of the evening was a Q&A session between Sue and Rose Sonkwele the principal of the school on the day to day operations of the school.



February 2023 -

Another atmospheric dinner on the rocks at Ficks Pool, once again sponsored by Joke Gonggijp and her team. Despite 24 hours of torrential rain and wind, a great leap of faith to continue with the outside venue paid off. The Good Lord offered a 6 hour window of calm and dryness for the duration of our delightful evening. Offering again excellent food, song and music together with the lapping of the waves over the edge of Ficks Pool.



NEXT EXCITING EVENT – APRIL 8 2023 @ 17.00

The Mango Groove Concert at Curro School – everyone’s favourite South Africa Band is coming to Hermanus - open to all, Kirstenbosch style. Yomelelani will be a beneficiary from any net profit made at the event. Bring a picnic and the whole family and enjoy an afternoon of fab music Africa Style.



NB: Save the date for mid February 2024 – The next Yomelelani extravaganza

School events 2022

An outing to Rockhill Petting farm in September 2022 and Christmas celebration sponsored by “Spread some Sunshine” in December





Graduation of Grade R 2022 learners in November led by the Principal Rose Sonkwele

Day in the life of the School (staff at Yomelelani)



Pictures below - children enjoying breakfast – Babies chilling on the giant size fat sacks (donated), Grade R learners having lunch





3 -4 year olds in their designated play area, 4 – 5 year olds in their play ground with teacher on duty, children in the sandpit whilst others are queuing for a go on the trampoline. Finally a well deserved afternoon nap whilst the teachers clean the classrooms.

Yomelelani has been commended by the South Africa Governments Department of Education as “a model example of how an ECD Centre should operate”.

Thank you to the sponsors of Yomelelani

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