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ST MATTHEWS HIGH SCHOOL



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Netball Provisional trials

On the 13th of April 2019, it is with proud and joy to write that five of our young netball players were selected to participate on the Provincial Trails in East London. Even though only one out the five was picked to play for the National team, we are still proud you girls for participating in the trails. Congratulations to our netball team keep representing us and making us proud .

Written by Ayakha Maliti



Drama

This term 2 we had an event hosted by drama learners of ST Matthews High School. The event did not only showcase the talent of our learners but also showcasing what they have been learning at the drama club, this was an opportunity for learners who are not members of drama to experience the new talent and spectacular even of seeing a live performance being performed by their peers . These learners performed poetry, drama, contemporary dance and 'pantsula' dance. Back up performers assisted with back ground sound and props.





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KUNYE
TOGETHER IN LEARNING

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16 November 2019

Reading Club

We concluded our year at our Sifunda Kunye literacy this year with a visit from Santa Clause. The children was so excited. We ate cupcakes and got lots of sweets from Santa Clause.



facilitators year end function

We celebrated our year end on Saturday the 16th of November 2019. Facilitators from St Matthews, Toise SSS and Xolani SSS came together to celebrated a successful year of facilitating reading clubs at our schools and in the community.



Top Achievers



At St Matthew's High School, we have got our top achievers, those amongst us that work the hardest and out-perform the rest. In third place is Chwayita Xhatana whom is doing grade 10, second place is Siphumeze Mkuli doing grade 10, and our number one Academic achiever is Siphelele Ulana.

We interviewed all three achievers first on our list was Chwayita Xhatana, she told us she felt inspired and has more power to do more than she did last year. She would also like other students to follow in her foot-steps and possibly do more than her. The key to her success is sticking to her books and being a hard worker.

Next on the list we have Siphumeze Mkuli, when we asked how she feels about being our second best academic achiever, she told us that she feels really blessed and honoured, and thankful to God that she achieved so much last year. It was something she didn't expect. She would also like to inspire our next generation to go for what they want and aim high no matter how hard it may seem because in the end you will achieve something. She also said not to wait to do something but do it now while you're thinking about it because we don't know what tomorrow brings.

Last but not least we then spoke to our number one spot holder Siphelele Ulana. When asked how he felt about being the Top Academic Achiever in 2018 he told us it was a shock to hear his name called during the assembly as the top achiever, it was also a proud moment that he hopes to achieve again.

Written by Maliti Ayakha and Asemahle Plaatjie



Adventurous Journey

8-10 March 2019

Participants from Sifunda Kunye partner schools, Toise SSS, St Matthews High School, and Hendrik Kanise Combined School took part in a 48 km hike during this weekend.

Participants were qualifying for their silver in The Presidents Awards level.

During our arrival at camp it was raining but we were determined to complete our camp and required km to qualify for our silver.

We hiked for 4km during the night walk, the following morning we hiked along the beach for 40 km and on the 3 day we hiked for 6 km.

This was a challenging hike, it rained the entire 3 days and 2 nights, all together it rained 124 mm during our camp, we were wet, tired but determined. We had to work together in teams to survive the weekend. It took a lot of determination, teamwork, motivation and courage but we concurred and completed what we aimed to achieve.



Silver Hike

Wi-Fi Launch 2019

On the 22nd of January 2019 we at St Matthews celebrated our wifi that was installed on our campus at the end of 2018. The wifi scope coverage:



What an exciting and memorable event, the event was well supported with a special guest speaker from Sifunda Kunye Mr Ben Paullan, Board member all the way from America. Ben was also the person that kick started this project at St Matthews High School, ten year ago.

The student representative Milisa Mtoto also thanked Sifunda Kunye for the wifi and the positive impact it will have and all the girls in the hostels and the school.

A short memorable video was made and placed on Sifunda Kunye facebook page and reached over 4200. To view the video like Sifunda Kunye Education Project facebook page.



Sifunda Kunye Reading club facilitators 2019



Literacy Centre fencing



Sifunda Kunye Writing Camp 2019



During the weekend of the 23-25 August 2019, learners from five of Sifunda Kunye schools attended the annual writing camp.

This year the theme/topic to write about was UBUNTU. Learners were preparing for this weekend before they arrived at the camp.

The weekend was a huge success! The learners all completed their writing with inspiration from their peers, facilitators and guest speakers.

We would like to thank all that made this weekend possible. We acknowledge our funder Mr Andrew Summers for making this weekend possible.

