



ALBERTON BI-ANNUAL REPORT

DECEMBER 2023



30 YEARS OF QUALITY PRIVATE EDUCATION

COLLEGE REFLECTION

Wow! We have already reached that time of the year again and I must admit that time flew so fast that it still seems like only a few weeks ago that we reflected on the first half of the year! This communication update will probably be the last for the year 2023! I am already so tempted to wish all our families of RSA a Merry Christmas and a prosperous and wonderful New Year ahead! For all of you who will be travelling to various destinations for a well-earned holiday, we would also like to take the opportunity to pray for safe travelling mercies for each one of you. I cannot believe how far we have gone through the year and it somehow reminds me of the words of Don Marquis, a famous American humorist, who noted that "Procrastination is the art of keeping up with yesterday." We hope that this year will be remembered again for all the hard work, commitments, dedication, sacrifice by all learners and educators which will, inevitably, show when the results and reports are released and our learners get the opportunity to showcase what they have learnt this year.

We are confident that all our families will definitely be reminded of the famous words of our great leader, Nelson Mandela, when he told the entire country that "Everything seems impossible, until it is done!" We have all experienced so many challenges and difficulties this year with regards to the development and achievements of our school, that we know the fruits of our hardships and dedication will be in all the report cards that each learner will be collecting from the 11th-13th December 2023. We will even be holding hands together for the expectations of our grade 12 class of 2023 when their results will be released early in January.

Our school has just grown in leaps and bounds this year and we would like to thank all our learners, parents, educators, groundstaff and management team for keeping to the promise that we simply just want to be "the independent school of choice" and let the school serve its community with service that can be felt by all involved. With all the input, advice and guidance, we will hopefully continue the upward trajectory to academic excellence and lifelong influences. Thank you for choosing Royal Schools Alberton and I am sure most parents will confirm that our school can only become better within the education sector and set us apart in the immediate communities. 2024 can only be the year that all of us can positively look forward to.

Allow us to share some highlights from the last half of the year of 2023:

- The staff complement has been very stable throughout this year and we intend to continue to keep all our qualified staff for 2024 to build on our continuity plans to expose our learners to the best teachers available.
- The Heritage Day celebrations each year continue to allow our learners and staff to learn about other cultures and ethnic groups which proves that we are a fully fledged pot of unity in our diversity!
- We continue to strive for the best when it comes to maintenance at our school and keeping it as beautiful and organised as we possibly can. The image of the school has become the pride of many of our learners and parents and we can only remind everyone to keep our premises tidy.
- The usage of Google Classroom has improved tremendously over the last six months and we can only attribute that improvement to the active participation of all our learners as well as the staff of RSA.
- We have a new mobile classroom on the premises of the Primary School with full aircon facilities which will assist us in accommodating the increase in our enrolments.
- We have introduced more SPORT offerings to our learners and parents and the benefits of these have been seen by the amount of teams who qualified for district tournaments. We have our own internal sport coaches whose sole responsibility it is to make sure our learners participate in numbers. On an individual basis, we have allowed parents and learners to even choose basketball, karate, dancing and music as extra-curricular options.
- As we head into the final stretch of the year 2023, everyone at the school will most certainly

focus on the achievement of success and promotion to the next grade, phase or tertiary education. We wish all simply the best!

- Here are some things that we can expect in 2024 when we re-open:
- We have sourced 3 extra mobile classrooms again in the Primary School area to accommodate the growing number of learners who desire to enrol in our school. We do not want to compromise our quality education due to excessive numbers in our classes.
- We are planning to cover all sandy areas in the school with tar or paving to make it easier for our learners during the rainy days!
- Please allow us to share some exciting news happening at our school soon: We will start construction of our very own SWIMMING POOL at RSA in the NEW YEAR once approval by City of Ekurhuleni is given and this will be a huge Life Skill that we think our learners, parents and surrounding community will benefit from in the long run. Again, watch this space!!!

It is definitely worth mentioning to all that we are in the process of installing solar power at RSA to avoid any challenges that we might experience in terms of load shedding and unstable power supply to our beautiful school.

We really hope and pray that our school has given all our learners an opportunity to express, achieve and excel during the 2023 Academic year as best as they possibly could! We will prepare ourselves, like we always do, to achieve what God has set out to achieve in the lives of our children in the Book of Mark 19:14 which states: "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to them!"

Thank you for your continued support to our school! God bless all of you!

Sincerely, Mr Basil Freitas

Executive Principal



PRESCHOOL

HIGHLIGHTS TERM 3



DISNEY CHARACTER DRESS-UP /LITERACY DAY

The Disney Character Dress-Up Day was a magical and joy-filled event that allowed our little ones to immerse themselves in the enchanting world of Disney held on 28/07/2023. The purpose of this event was to foster a love for reading and language development among our preschoolers and to engage both learners and parents in a celebration of literacy. The learners, along with enthusiastic support from parents, embraced the spirit of the day by dressing up as their favourite Disney characters. The classrooms were transformed into a colourful array of beloved personalities from classic Disney tales to modern favourites.

CAREER DAY

The preschool recently held an engaging and educational Career Day Dress-Up Celebration on the 25/08/2023. This event aimed to introduce young minds to various professions, foster creativity and provide a fun learning experience. The learners, with the support of their parents, dressed up as professionals from different fields, transforming the preschool into a vibrant and lively hub of diverse career aspirations. In the weeks leading up to Career Day, parents were informed about the event and encouraged to discuss and choose a profession with their child. The learners arrived at the preschool in delightful and imaginative costumes representing their chosen careers. The level of creativity and attention to detail in their outfits was truly impressive.

We were honoured to host a visit from Metro Police officers. The Metro Police visit was a valuable addition to our preschool's educational programme, providing a firsthand look into the important work undertaken by law enforcement officers. By creating a positive and approachable image of Metro Police, the visit contributed to the learner's broader understanding of the community and the various roles that work together to keep it safe and thriving.

HERITAGE DAY

The Heritage Celebration took place on 26/09/2023 with the aim of promoting cultural awareness and understanding among our young learners. This event provided a platform for learners to explore and appreciate the rich diversity of cultures represented in our school. Parents contributed traditional dishes from various cultures, creating a diverse and delicious food experience for the learners. This allowed them to taste and appreciate different flavours and culinary traditions.

ALPHABET DRESS UP DAY

Preschool Alphabet Dress-Up Day was a delightful celebration held on 27/10/2023, where young learners showcased creativity and enthusiasm through a fun-filled dress-up event. This annual tradition provides a unique opportunity for learners to explore the alphabet while engaging in imaginative play. The primary goal of Alphabet Dress-Up Day is to foster a love for learning through play and exploration. Each learner was encouraged to dress up as a character or object that corresponds to a first letter of their name. This theme not only promotes letter recognition, but also sparks creativity and excitement in the children.

SPORTS DAY

The Annual Sports Day was a joyous celebration of physical activity, teamwork and friendly competition. Preschoolers eagerly participated in a variety of gross motor games, showcasing their enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Parents joined the festivities, creating a vibrant and supportive atmosphere. The Annual Sports Day was a tremendous success, bringing together the entire preschool and their parents in a celebration of movement, fun and togetherness. We are proud to provide opportunities for our preschoolers to develop essential skills through play, and the positive spirit displayed during the Sports Day reflects the success of our approach.





HIGHLIGHTS TERM 4

NEW ROAD TRACK

Our commitment to play-based learning is unwavering. We believe that through purposeful play, we lay the foundation for a lifelong love of learning. We are committed to creating an environment where play opportunities are not only cherished, but are also intentionally integrated into our curriculum. The implementation of a new scooter track is a project aimed at enhancing physical activity, motor skills development and overall enjoyment for the preschool learners. This initiative provides a safe and designated space for learners to ride their scooters, promoting both physical exercise and teaching them about road safety.

EXCURSION

The 18 September farmyard excursion was a resounding success, providing our preschoolers with a memorable and educational adventure. The hands-on experience with animals, coupled with interactive learning, contributed to the holistic development of the children, fostering a love for nature and a deeper connection to the world around them. Such excursions play a crucial role in our educational approach, creating lasting impressions and sparking curiosity in our young learners.

RAINBOW COLOUR PICNIC

The Rainbow Colour Picnic Dress-Up Day was a vibrant and joyous celebration held on 10/11/2023. The purpose of the event was to encourage creativity, self-expression and social interaction among the preschoolers. The theme of the day centred around dressing up in colours of the rainbow, creating a lively and colourful atmosphere. The teachers decorated the classrooms and outdoor spaces with balloons and gazebos. Learners and parents were encouraged to be creative with choosing and packing the healthy snacks that corresponded to their favourite colour.



OPEN DAY

The Preschool Open Day held on 28/10/2023 was a resounding success, resulting in a significant increase in enrolments. The event provided a valuable opportunity for parents to explore the preschool's facilities, interact with the staff and gain insights into our educational approach. Extensive planning and preparation went into organising the Open Day. A dedicated team worked on creating an inviting atmosphere, informative materials and engaging activities to showcase the preschool's strengths and offerings.

TEACHER COLLABORATION

The teachers recently attended a networking workshop held at Amberfield College on the 28/10/2023. It was a dynamic and enriching opportunity for teachers to come together, share ideas and foster collaboration. The event aimed to create a platform for professional growth, idea exchange and the establishment of supportive connections among educators.

THE RUGBY WORLD CUP

A wave of enthusiasm and team spirit recently swept through our preschool as our little learners rallied together to support our national rugby team during the World Cup. The preschoolers donned their Springbok T-shirts, creating a vibrant sea of green and gold that echoed cheers of support for our beloved team.

BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

The beautification project is currently underway. It is aimed to enhance the overall aesthetic appeal of the premises, creating a welcoming and inspiring environment for both learners and teachers. The primary focus of this initiative is a fresh paint job to breathe new life into the preschool's appearance.

CONCERT

The preschoolers and teachers have been immersed in the joyful and exciting preparations for the upcoming Annual Concert, scheduled for 09/12/2023. The annual concert is a significant event that showcases the talents, creativity and teamwork of both the preschoolers and teachers. This year's concert theme, "African Rhythms". Rehearsals have become a daily highlight as preschoolers eagerly practice their songs, dances and lines. Teachers have been guiding the learners with patience and enthusiasm, ensuring that each child feels confident and excited about their role in the concert. The process emphasises not only performance skills but also teamwork and cooperation.



PRIZE GIVING

Teachers are meticulously preparing personalised awards and certificates to recognise the unique achievements and contributions of each learner. Categories include academic achievements, PIPE values and sport. The thoughtful preparation reflects the commitment to acknowledging and celebrating the individual strengths of each child.

GRADUATION

The annual Grade R graduation is an eagerly anticipated event that celebrates the achievements and growth of our preschoolers as they prepare to transition to the next phase of their education journey. The event aims to recognise the learner's accomplishments, foster a sense of pride and provide a joyful experience for both the graduating learners and their families. Rehearsals have been an essential part of the preparation process. Teachers have been working with the learners to practise their speeches, movements and performances to ensure a smooth and enjoyable graduation ceremony. These rehearsals also serve as an opportunity for the learner to become comfortable with the stage and the flow of the event.

ACADEMICS

As we approach the end of the academic year, the final assessments and Grade R School Readiness Test are currently underway. This marks a crucial phase in evaluating the developmental progress and preparedness of our preschoolers as they transition to the next level of their educational journey. The collaborative efforts of teachers, parents and the preschoolers contribute to the success of this assessment period. We are wishing them all the best as they run the last stretch of their 2023 academic race!!!

ART ACTIVITIES

Art activities are not just a form of entertainment; they are a fundamental aspect of our preschool program that contributes to the overall development of our young learners. By fostering creativity, fine motor skills, self-expression and social skills, art activities provide a well-rounded and enriching experience for our preschoolers.

GARDEN

The preschool vegetable garden is more than just a patch of soil; it's a vibrant learning space where learners connect with nature, learn valuable life skills and cultivate a love for the environment. Through active participation in garden maintenance, our young learners are not only nurturing plants but are also fostering a deep appreciation for the wonders of the natural world.

COMPUTERS

We recognise the significance of technological literacy in the modern world. In line with our commitment to providing a well-rounded education, our preschoolers actively participate in weekly computer classes. These sessions aim to introduce them to basic computer skills, promote digital literacy and lay the foundation for future technological understanding.

GYMNASTICS

We are committed to providing a well-rounded educational experience that extends beyond traditional classroom activities. A significant component of our programme involves weekly gymnastics classes, where our preschoolers actively participate in activities designed to enhance their physical development, coordination and confidence.

PRIMARY SCHOOL ACADEMICS

Academic Excellence: Royal Schools Alberton takes pride in the consistent achievement of academic excellence. The commitment to rigorous academic standards, innovative teaching methods and a supportive learning environment has resulted in a commendable performance by our students in various academic arenas. Our learners achieved the following accolades Mathematics - Emily Mashiane and Oarona Moloi ended up at Provincial level in Mathematics, Social Sciences - Onkarabetse Gcuku, Vutomi Mkhuvele and Nkosingiphile Nkosi achieved great results in the Social Sciences Olympiad. English- Tshiamo Mwelase, one of our grade 5 learners achieved first position at provincial Level in the English Spelling Bee and Word Ruffle. The success at Provincial levels reflect a strong commitment to academic development among our Primary School learners.

Community Engagement:

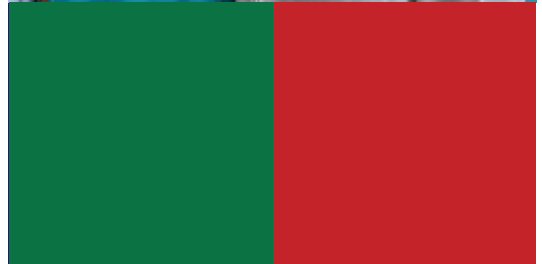
Our school has achieved notable success in community engagement initiatives. Royal Schools Alberton actively collaborates with local communities, fostering partnerships that enhance educational resources, provide opportunities for experiential learning, and strengthening ties between the school and its broader community.

Innovative Teaching Practices:

Our educators have been instrumental in implementing innovative teaching practices. From project-based learning to collaborative initiatives. We celebrate the dedication of our teaching staff to providing dynamic and engaging educational experiences for students.

In conclusion, we remain committed to addressing challenges, pursuing future endeavours and celebrating achievements that define our educational journey. Through strategic planning, ongoing adaptation and a collective commitment to excellence, Royal Schools Alberton is poised to continue providing a transformative educational experience for all its stakeholders.

Mrs Marelize Neill
Primary School Principal



PRIMARY SCHOOL CULTURE

Concert

After the past few years recovering from COVID-19 and all its protocols, we are finally back in full swing and ready to embrace a concert in term 4. Our teachers and learners have put all their efforts in during the cultural hour to practise and plan for the upcoming event.

Heritage Day

The Heritage Day celebration at school honours diversity and cultural richness, with students highlighting traditions, wearing vibrant attire and participating in activities that promote understanding and appreciation of our collective heritage.

The Heritage Day 'Clash of the Tribes' infused excitement as students immersed themselves in friendly competitions, traditional games and creative displays, fostering a sense of unity and pride in their diverse cultural backgrounds.



PRIMARY SCHOOL SPORT

CROSS COUNTRY 2023

18 of our learners took part in six races at Rietvlei Zoo Farm this year. We are very proud of all our athletes. The performances were as follows:

- Our junior boys' team won third place out of the 12 other competing schools.
- In the accumulated points system over all races, the achievements were as follows:

Junior Boys:

Njabulo Tsiame 9th place
Sisathi Sokhanyile 13th place
Lesedi Mnagomezulu 14th place
Mongiwehu Mbulu 18th place

Junior Girls:

Amara Moothasamy 1st place
Mosia Oimpho 8th place

These learners also represented the District at the District final.

Thank you our coach who ensured that our learners were nicely warmed up and ready for their race. Well done Cross-Country team!

You make our school proud.



PRIMARY SCHOOL ROBOTICS



Welcome to the future, where classrooms buzz with excitement and the air is filled with the hum of tiny robots zipping around.

Our Primary School learners are embracing the robotics revolution, transforming our young minds into coding wizards.

In this thrilling journey into the world of gears, circuits and lines of codes, we are allowing our learners to explore how robotics and coding are making education an adventure like never before.

It is a hands-on experience, where our learners are involved in creating their own exciting patterns with Micro:bit, Scratch and the Novice Bot.

Our learners are so excited to know that they will be able to programme robots to do their chores in the near future instead of doing these chores themselves, like making their beds, washing dishes, etc. Who wouldn't want something like that?



PRIMARY SCHOOL FUN DAYS

Here at Royal Schools Alberton, we strive to make the school as memorable and enjoyable as possible. Royal Schools Alberton has engaged not only the staff but the learners and parents as well in many fun activities this year.

Once a month, we celebrate the students for receiving the most merits. They receive a certificate and are treated with something sweet.

GRADE 7 ENTREPRENEURS DAY

Young minds showcased creativity and business acumen, setting up innovative stalls to display handmade products and services, providing a glimpse into the promising future of these budding entrepreneurs.

EXCURSIONS

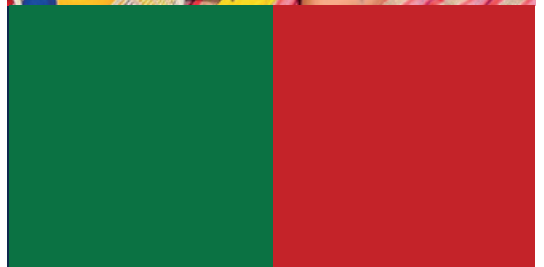
Learners attended excursions during term 3. Grade R-1 went to The Farm Yard. Our Grade 2-5 learners attended the gold mine tour at Gold Reef City. Grade 6-7 had a blast at The Honey Dew Mazes. These excursions aim to provide our learners with real-world experiences that complement their academic curriculum. During these outings, learners engaged in hands-on activities, explored new environments and interacted with educational exhibits, fostering a more practical understanding of subjects such as science, history, nature and culture. The primary goals of these excursions are to enhance learning, stimulate curiosity and promote a holistic educational experience for young minds. Learners often return with valuable insights, enriched perspectives and lasting memories from these educational adventures.

RALLYING THE NATION: UNWAVERING SUPPORT FOR THE SPRINGBOKS

As the nation collectively rallied behind the Springboks, the support for the South African national rugby team reached unprecedented levels during the Rugby World Cup. The support our learners and staff captured was of unity and enthusiasm that permeated the country as fans came together to cheer on their beloved team.

GRADE 6 PREFECT CAMP

Our future leaders went on a Grade 6 prefect camp, cultivating leadership skills and teamwork, offering our learners a unique opportunity to bond, learn responsibility and develop qualities that will empower them as school leaders in the upcoming academic year.



HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMICS

I am delighted to present you with our high school's academic report. I would like to highlight some of the achievements and challenges we encountered in our academic programme in the last half of the year.

One of our main focuses throughout the year was providing academic support to all learners in need, even in situations when their attendance was sporadic due to transport issues. We recognised the importance of offering assistance to these learners who faced difficulties in attending classes regularly.

I am delighted to report that our efforts have yielded positive results. The grade 12 preliminary exam results were encouraging, indicating significant improvements among the learners. This success can be attributed to the combined efforts of our dedicated teachers and the participation of motivated learners.

In order to motivate and encourage the learners who showed improvement, we organised an "Achievers Tea" event. This special gathering allowed us to recognise the progress made by these learners and to celebrate their achievements. The event served as a reminder to all learners that hard work and determination can lead to academic success.

Furthermore, we held a grand Prize-Giving event to honour and recognise learners who reached academic excellence. This event sought to acknowledge their exceptional achievements throughout the year. By organising such an event, we aimed to foster a culture of academic excellence and inspire other learners to strive for similar accomplishments. We also celebrated learners who embodied our PIPE values throughout the academic year.

Overall, the intervention classes, the good grade 12 preliminary exam results, the Achievers Tea, and the Prize-Giving event have all played vital roles in enhancing our learners' academic journeys.

Thank you for your continued support in making these initiatives possible. We remain dedicated to providing a nurturing academic environment for our learners and look forward to even greater achievements in the future.

Sincerely,



High School Deputy Principal

HIGH SCHOOL CULTURE

CLASH OF THE TRIBES

Heritage Day is a day that recognises and celebrates the cultural wealth of our nation. South Africans celebrate the day in order to commemorate the cultural heritage of the various cultures of South Africans. Various events are staged throughout the country to commemorate this day – Royal Schools Alberton also jumped on the bandwagon and hosted their annual Clash of the Tribes, where the learners of our school came together to curate different tribal acts. The Clash of the Tribes event was one that was set to take our spectators and judges on a tour across South Africa, all the way from eSwatini, to the Basotho in the Free State, to the BaVenda in Limpopo and the list goes on. Boy was it an interesting tour! Our learners were afforded with the opportunity to strut their different regalia, as well as showcase their talents through dance and different acts.

The defending champions were out to prove they were still the best by showcasing a one of a kind royal wedding, but the other cultures would not allow their win to be a walk in the park. The Xhosa's educated the audience with a very sacred event known as 'ukuluka' where a boy becomes a man. Whilst the Tsonga's wowed the crowd with their colourful culture accompanied by the Pedi's and Tswana's with their fascinating display of dances. There was singing and dancing during the day where each of the tribes wanted to outshine the other – oh, what a day it was! The western tribe stood out because of the multiple dances they demonstrated, to the vibrant energy they presented while executing their colourful mixture of dances.

Anxieties were on a high as the judges were ready to crown the winners – with each culture wanting the number one spot who wouldn't be anxious? The top 3 three consisted of the BaSotho tribe, Xhosa and the Zulus – The BaSotho's taking third place, Xhosa's came out second and the defending culture, reigning supreme once again, taking first place, two years in a row. The Zulus presented their dominance once again. As much as it was a competition, cultures of all kinds came together and showcased the beautiful diversity and unity of all South Africans. The MCs of the event were our grade 11 learners, Lwandle Madinane and Stacey Norrie – who did a stellar job! The school had an exceptional panel of judges, namely; Mrs L Moyo, (Head of Academics) Mr B Freitas, (Royal Schools Alberton Executive Principal) Mr Ndlovu (Royal Schools Sky City's Discipline Manager) and last but certainly not least Mr Zulu (Family mediator and Spiritual leader).



CLASH OF THE CHOIRS 2023

Royal schools Alberton hosted a Clash of the Choirs competition on the 21st of October 2023 – an event that is one of its kind, something that has never been done before. The whole idea was implemented by our Head of Academics, Mrs Moyo. The main purpose of the event was to expose our learners to musical competitions, allow for a time to mingle with our neighbouring and sister schools and to basically afford our learners with an opportunity to showcase their talents and excel at what they do best. A number of six schools were invited and participated in the competition, namely; Royal Schools Alberton (which hosted the event), Royal Schools Sky City, Royal Schools Queens, Royal Schools Princess Park, Hoerskool Elspark and Palmridge Ext 6 Secondary. Moreover, the school also managed to get professional judges that were all musically bound professionals. Each of the schools participated in three categories, which included a prescribed item, TikTok rendition and a song of their own choice. Royal Schools Alberton came first place in all three categories, which resulted in them being the overall winners. The school walked away with a total of 4 trophies...

The event was a success and we cannot wait for next year's Clash of the Choirs!



HIGH SCHOOL SPORT



Our girls played netball and our boys played soccer in the 2nd half of the year.

Even though they were not affiliated to any league, they managed to play a number of friendly matches where they did extremely well!



HIGH SCHOOL ROBOTICS

This is our year end report on all things technological in our school, in two broad categories as below:

COMPUTER CLASSES

This is an overview of the computer classes that the Grade 8 and Grade 9 learners are doing in our school. These classes are designed to equip our learners with the foundational computer skills necessary for success in the modern world.

Our computer classes focus on a range of essential skills, including keyboarding, practical applications of Windows, Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and responsible internet usage. Learners ultimately gain proficiency in these areas, which will contribute to their overall digital literacy.

The knowledge and skills gained in these classes will not only benefit them academically but also in their future careers. Digital literacy is a vital skill set in today's world, and we are committed to preparing our learners for success.

ROBOTICS

We are excited to share with you an update on our high school robotics programme. Our learners have been engaged in a wide range of activities, that have not only sparked their interest in robotics but also developed their skills in various areas.

One of the key activities in the programme has been the use of flowcharts. Learners have been introduced to this visual representation tool, which helps them plan and organise the sequence of actions required to achieve a specific outcome. By creating flowcharts, learners are learning to think logically and systematically, skills that are valuable, not only in robotics but also in many other aspects of life. Another important aspect of the programme has been the identification of car components and their functions, including sensors.

Building the car itself has been an exciting and rewarding experience for our learners. They have worked collaboratively in teams, following step-by-step instructions to assemble the car from scratch. This activity has not only enhanced their fine motor skills but also fostered teamwork, problem-solving and attention to detail.

Coding has been a fundamental component of our robotics programme. Learners have been introduced to coding for melodies, allowing them to compose their own tunes using the car as a musical instrument. They have also learned to code for forward and reverse movement, enabling the car to navigate through various obstacles. Additionally, students have explored coding for making turns and spinning, which has expanded their understanding of how to control the car's movements effectively.

Block coding has been another key skill that our learners have developed. Through block coding, learners have been able to programme the car to perform a series of actions using drag-and-drop blocks. This approach makes coding accessible and enjoyable for learners of all levels, and it serves as a step-

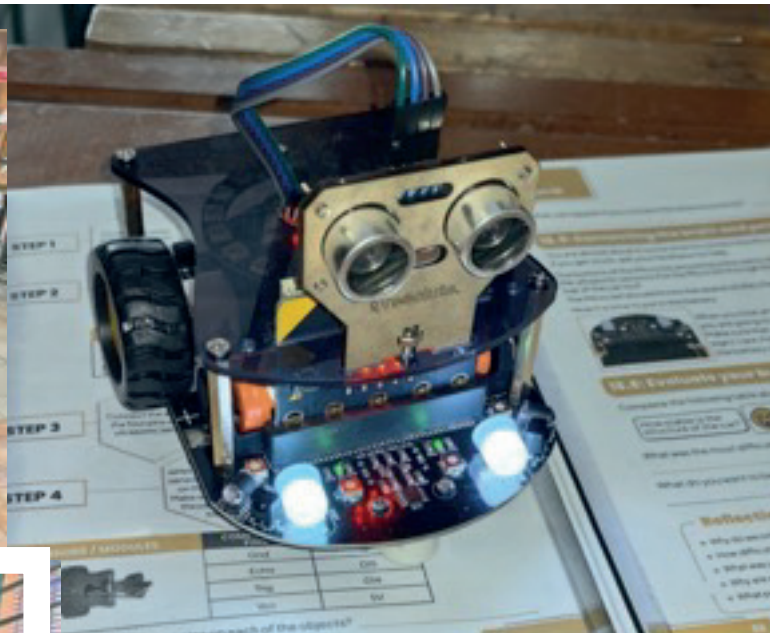
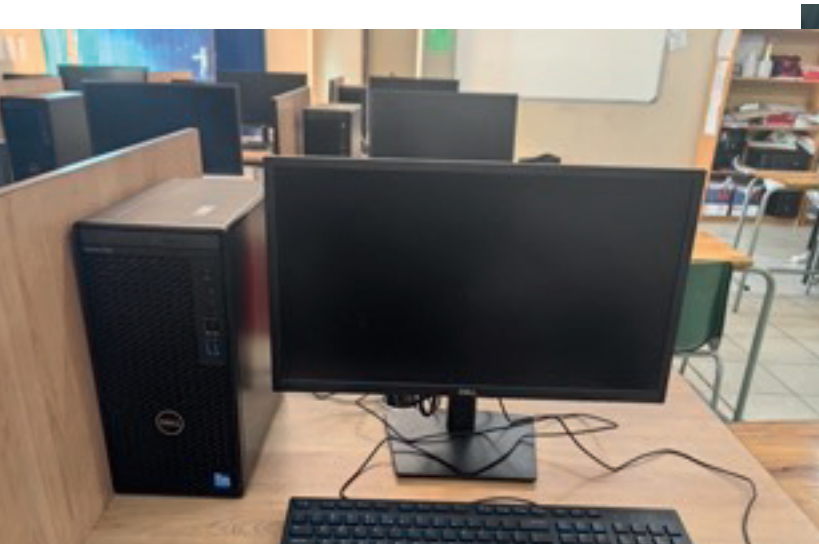


ping stone to more advanced programming concepts.

In addition to the in-class activities, our learners have also completed online courses that complement the curriculum. These courses have provided them with additional resources and challenges to further enhance their understanding of robotics and coding. By engaging in online learning, learners have developed self-directed learning skills and a growth mindset.

We are proud of the progress our learners have made in the robotics programme. Through their participation, they have gained valuable technical skills and also developed important 21st-century skills such as critical thinking, collaboration, and creativity. We believe that these skills will serve them well in their future academic and professional endeavours.

Thank you for your continued support in fostering your child's passion for robotics and technology. We look forward to sharing more updates with you as our program progresses.



HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMICS

SENDING OFF OUR CLASS OF 2023

We used to have a formal valediction and sending-off ceremony when we bade our Grade 12 learners farewell in the past. This year they decided that they wanted to have a FUNDAY instead. Having fun is a proven way to make sure they have the opportunity to unwind, reduce stress and boost their emotional state. They enjoyed the waterslide, painting their friends in rainbow colours using powder paint and dancing to their favourite songs. The braai that they enjoyed together was the golden moment of the day. A very special moment was when our grade 1 learners handed over a small gift to them to finally say goodbye to them. You could see the admiring look on the little one's faces when they met their heroes in grade 12.

TALENT SHOW

Giving the stage to our learners is like giving them freedom...They are all so talented and our talent show was one of the best shows ever. This year was the first year that we decided to have a Talent Show where ordinary people perform and act on stage. We realize that our kids had a lot of hidden talents because some of them never had the opportunity to show off these talents. Whatever the reason, hidden talents can be a valuable asset – both to the person with the hidden talent and those around them. Well done and congratulations... we are looking forward to our next Talent Show in 2024.

GO-BOKKE-GO

We as Royal Schools Alberton High School supported our famous Rugby team by wearing our Springbok rugby jerseys or just coming to school in Green and Gold on Friday, 28 October. What a day... not only the grass was green but all our learners and educators showed up in the colours of our Springboks. We are so happy that we won the World Cup in 2023 and a lot of us are looking up to our famous players like Siya, Faf...and Eben Etsebeth...we can continue by shouting out the names of the whole squad, because that is something that we will always remember.



HIGH SCHOOL ELC/RCL

The Prefects' Send-off Lunch culminated in a festive meal, allowing everyone to engage in casual conversations and share anecdotes. The atmosphere was filled with a sense of gratitude, camaraderie and a shared commitment to maintaining the positive legacy left behind by the outgoing prefects.

As we bid farewell to these exceptional leaders, we express our sincere thanks for their hard work, dedication and the positive influence they have had on our school community. The Prefects' Send-off Lunch was not just an occasion to mark the end of their tenure, but a celebration of their enduring impact on the school's culture and the lives of those they have touched. We wish them continued success in their future endeavours and look forward to witnessing the positive change they will undoubtedly bring to the world beyond our school walls.



CHARITY OUTREACH

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMME

At Royal Schools Alberton we strive to reach out to our community as best as possible.

The principle of outreach actually comes from the Bible.

Outreach is also part of our PIPE values: PEOPLE, INTEGRITY, PERSEVERANCE and EXCELLENCE. At Royal Schools Alberton we always put people first, therefore we reach out to people and try to make contact with them face-to-face to give them something that we have so graciously given ourselves.

There are so many people in our community, right in our backyards that we can give back to, and we are so proud to share some of these outreach projects with you;

PRESCHOOL OF ROYAL SCHOOLS ALBERTON

Our Preschool staff and learners collected and distributed Easter eggs, tinned food and toiletries to needy organisations. This year we handed out food packs and stationery to a children's home in our community.

PRIMARY SCHOOL OF ROYAL SCHOOLS ALBERTON

Our Primary School staff and learners collected and distributed clothing and cleaning detergents to Stepping Stones Hospice and Care Centre. The Centre provides specialist palliative care to people experiencing the impact of life-limiting illnesses.

HIGH SCHOOL OF ROYAL SCHOOLS ALBERTON

Nelson Mandela Project:

"Do what you can, with what you have, where you are"

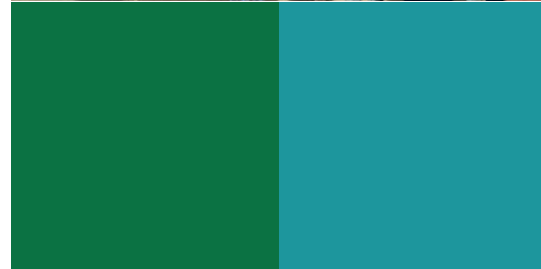
Our educators and kids empowered by the famous late President Nelson Mandela decided to collect clothing, non-perishable products and blankets to donate to a community nearby. We are also inspired by his words of wisdom to inspire others to take action against poverty and to change the world.

X-MAS SHOE PROJECT:

Each year we collect donations and distribute personalised gifts of essential items and treats to underprivileged children. As we went shopping with the donations that we received from our learners and parents, we took it to heart to ask God to lead us to do what will particularly delight the hearts of the little ones that we want to surprise with our colourful X-mas shoeboxes.

We ended our 2023 year by donating our boxes to the Little Blossom Day Care Centre in Edenpark. They were overwhelmed and surprised and didn't understand that everything we had was for them. The broad smiles and happiness in their eyes will stay with us forever. Each educator and caretaker also received a gift bag just to show them how much they are appreciated by us at Royal Schools Alberton.

Thank you is an understatement for the hard work and kindness you have shown towards Little Blossom Day Care Centre.





AFTERCARE

As we approach the conclusion of another academic year, it is with great joy and satisfaction that we reflect on the successes achieved in our aftercare programme. This report highlights the positive outcomes and milestones reached during the academic year, showcasing the growth and development of our aftercare learners.

LEARNER ACHIEVEMENTS:

Many aftercare learners have demonstrated notable academic progress throughout the year. Our dedicated team of aftercare teachers provided support with homework, engaged in educational activities and facilitated a conducive learning environment.

MENU

We are excited to announce the recent enhancement of our aftercare menu. The modifications aimed to provide a more balanced and nutritious meal offering for the learners in our aftercare programme. This initiative aligns with our commitment to promoting healthy eating habits and supporting the overall well-being of our students. We are committed to ongoing evaluation and improvement of our aftercare menu. Feedback from parents, teachers and the learners will be regularly sought to make adjustments and enhancements as needed.

EXAMINATION PREPARATIONS

As we approached the end of the academic year, the aftercare teachers were actively engaged in assisting aftercare learners in preparing for their final examinations. This update highlights the initiatives taken to ensure a supportive and effective examination preparation process.

COLLABORATIVE LEARNING SESSIONS

Aftercare teachers organised collaborative learning sessions to provide a structured environment for learners to review and reinforce key concepts. These sessions encouraged peer interaction, allowing students to discuss topics, ask questions and share insights.

INDIVIDUALISED SUPPORT

Recognising the diverse learning needs of our aftercare learners, teachers provided individualised support. This included targeted assistance with challenging subjects, personalised study plans and additional resources to address specific areas of concern.

Future Plans and Improvements

As we conclude this successful academic year, we are already planning for the future. Feedback from parents, learners and staff will be instrumental in identifying areas for improvement and implementing enhancements to further enrich the aftercare experience.

We are wishing the aftercare learners all the best as they run the last stretch of their 2023 academic race!!!

