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CLASSES OF 2023



# Happy Birthday



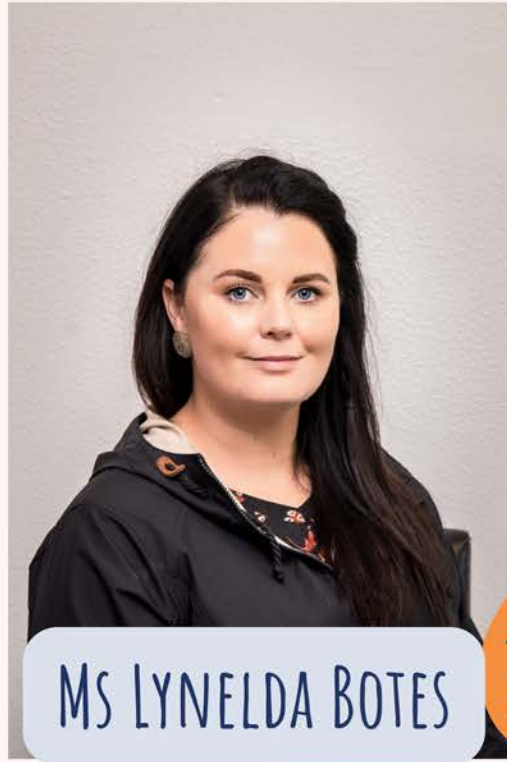
MR ULRICH VAN WYK



MR KIRK ARMSTRONG



MS LINA VISAGIE



MS LYNELDA BOTES



# Keeping Count.

One school. One classroom.  
Twenty-seven different class groups.  
Around 1000 brains nurtured.  
More than 1500 individual smiles, frowns, souls and stories.  
Approximately 3000 feet entering to learn and exiting to serve from EE4.  
Roughly 6405 assessments marked.  
Innumerable dreams dreamt, goals set, and milestones reached.  
Countless steps taken, laughter shared and tears shed.

Five years and four months; 1944 days.  
Immeasurable change and impact on one person, one heart.

Thank you, Bosmansdam. Thank you, knights. It has been the greatest honour to serve you and when I count my blessings, I'll count you twice.

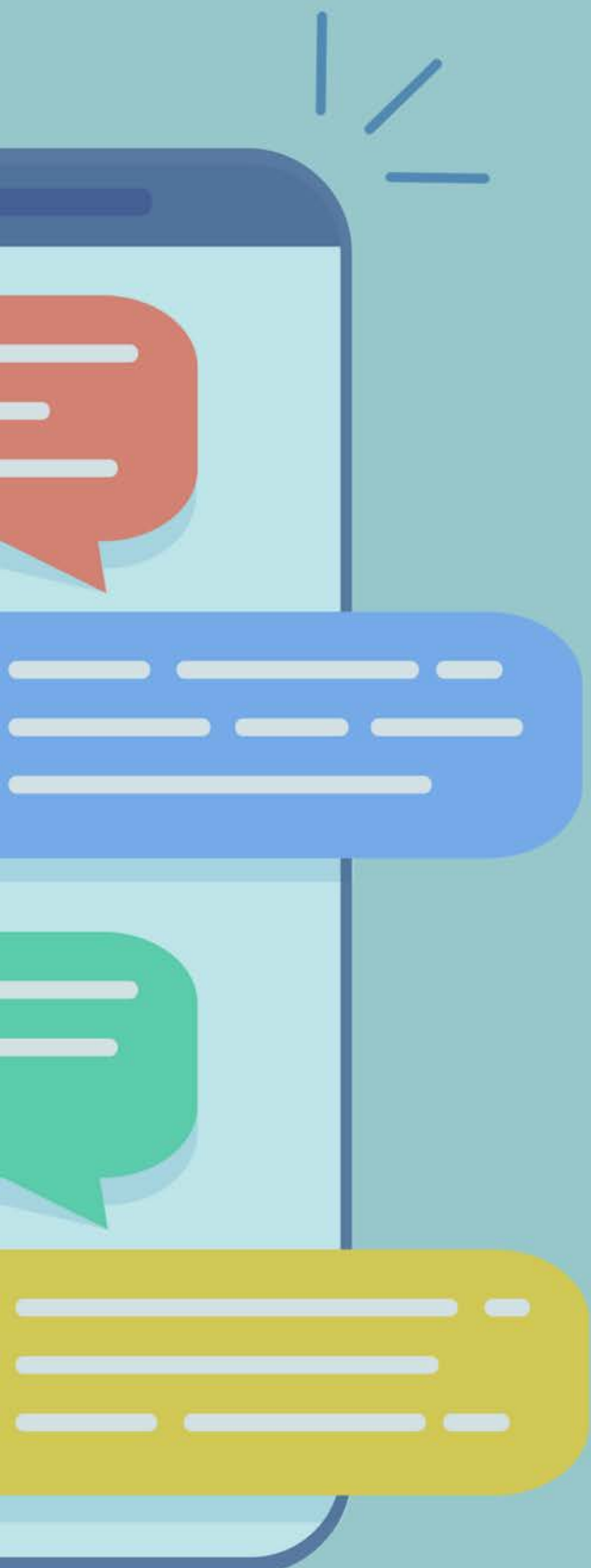


*What is done in love is done well.*



# **I met a friend over a text**

- Caleb Lingomba



I have a best friend  
I only met her over text  
I haven't met her yet  
But she's my closest friend

But she doesn't think the same  
She has one of her own  
And she doesn't know how I feel  
How I think of her

It's hard only talking over text  
When you have so much more to say  
But you're scared of oversharing  
And scaring her away

But she's the one that I hold close  
Even though I don't have her to hold  
Never thought I could make  
A friend over the phone

But she's busy, busier than me  
Shining her light on the people that can see  
While I can only feel it  
While I can only read it

I have a friend, who is my best  
But I only have her in my texts

# out of the pen of a gr12

I used to count down the minutes left until break time, the hours left until home time, and the days left until the weekend. So isn't it funny how I now find myself wishing for just one more day at school?

If I think back to the beginning of my high school career, the end seemed ages away. Yet, here we are, at the end. It came quicker than we thought, didn't it, Matrics?

We tend to spend so much time waiting for school to be done, that we forget to stop and realize how much we actually take it for granted.

I want to take this opportunity to give some advice to the Grade 11s (but all of the other grades can listen in too, of course). Grade 11s, I won't lie to you, next year is going to be tough. For the entirety of my Grade 11 year, the Matrics would tell my friends and I how much of a breeze Grade 12 was in comparison to Grade 11. They lied. Grade 12 will be packed full of new work, lectures from teachers and parents about your future, exams, and maybe even some mistakes (such as severely procrastinating studying for an upcoming exam). However, your Matric year is also going to be amazing- trust me on that. You will learn so many new things about yourself, and you will get to experience the fun side of school in a way you never have before (as school is a whole lot more fun when you're at the top of the pecking order). My advice to you is to enjoy every single second of next year because it will go such much quicker than you ever thought it would. Now, I'm not saying that you must have so much fun that you neglect your studies, but I'm rather saying that you must just appreciate all of the little moments that you are blessed with next year. This includes the conversations you have with your teachers, the laughs that you have with your friends, and the feeling of togetherness that Bosmansdam gives us.

I have made so many beautiful memories, made so many valuable friendships, and learned so many lessons at this school. My hope is that every single one of my fellow pupils also gets to experience what I have experienced.

From the morning chats that I have had with the Grade 8s in the bathroom whilst touching up our hair, to the meaningful conversations with the teachers that have helped shape me into the young woman I am today, each one of these moments has been so special. Thank you to each and every one of you for making my time at Bosmansdam High School as incredible as it has been.



With much love,  
Michaela Grundman

# Exams!



STRESS, PANIC!

WHERE ARE THOSE NOTES? MY TEXTBOOK? I SHOULD HAVE LISTENED, AND PAID ATTENTION MORE...COULDA, WOULD A, SHOULD A...

THE TIME IS NOW. I AM THE COMEBACK KID. THIS IS THE FINAL STRETCH; I AM GOING TO MAKE IT.

IT WILL TAKE HARD WORK AND DEDICATION BUT I CAN AND I WILL.

EXAMS TEST RESOLVE AND INTERNAL DISCIPLINE. TO MY PEERS: WE ARE IN THIS TOGETHER, LET US SUPPORT AND UPLIFT ONE ANOTHER.

## Words of wisdom from our knights:

JILLIAN MAGEZA- NEVER GIVE UP! THERE IS ALWAYS HOPE.

CHEYENNE SALT – BE SMART, STUDY, WORK HARD AND YOU’LL BE ONE STEP CLOSER TO LEAVING SCHOOL!

ALEEMA TITUS – SUCCESS ISN’T FINAL. FAILURE IS NOT FATAL. IT’S THE COURAGE TO CONTINUE THAT COUNT.

LEANDRA PHAMA- YOU HAVE TO FIGHT TO ACHIEVE YOUR DREAMS!

SHALOM CHANDA – THE FIGHT ALWAYS SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE, UNTIL IT’S DONE, SO KEEP FIGHTING BECAUSE IT WILL ALL BE WORTH IT IN THE END!



Exams = Challenge Accepted



# WILLIAMS

TEAM WON GOLD FOR THE  
UNDER 15 WP TOURNAMENT!



DON'T BE AVERAGE, BE  
*Awesome*





# HEAD PREFECTS FOR 2024

We would like to say congratulations to our newly elected  
Head Prefects for 2024.

**Head boy: Abraham Tsupane**

**Head girl: Tamia Rossouw**

**Deputy Head boy: Reese Eustace**

**Deputy Head girl: Angela Zingelwako**

These learners have showcased their leadership abilities over the course of their high school career in various facets. We are exceptionally proud of their achievements thus far and look forward to how they are going to positively contribute to our school.



Angela, Abraham, Tamia, Reese



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## Our Prestige Prize Giving,

held on the 18th of October, not only honored our Matric Class of 2023 but also other students who excelled in sports, culture, and other extra-mural attainments.

Well done to each and every learner!

We are very proud of you.

We would also like to take this moment, whilst reflecting back on our Matric learners' outstanding achievements, to wish them good luck with their final exams. You are capable of amazing things, so reach for the stars.

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# Awareness

@READIT CREATED AWARENESS AMONGST THEIR PEERS, MAKING THEM AWARE.

WHY IS READING IMPORTANT?

MOBILIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF READING. THIS CAUGHT THE ATTENTION OF MANY LEARNERS AND COMMUNITIES, SO MUCH SO THAT WE HAD PEOPLE ALL OVER CAPE TOWN SPONSORING OUR BOOKS. THIS LED US TO SHARE WHAT HAPPENED TO US WITH THE OUTSIDE WORLD.

ON 29TH SEPTEMBER 2023, WE LINKED UP WITH THE TYGERBERG CHILDREN'S CANSA ASSOCIATION TO TAKE OUR AWARENESS CAMPAIGN TO THE DIFFERENT WARDS MOBILIZING WHY READING IS IMPORTANT. SOME OF OUR LEARNERS WENT IN AND REALLY OPENED THEIR HEARTS, SPENDING TIME WITH SOME INDIVIDUALS READING TO THEM, PLAYING, AND LISTENING AND SHARING STORIES.







@READIT  
HOSPITAL VISIT





# TOP ACHIEVERS TERM 3

## Grade 8

- 1 Emellyn Mangele 90.33%
- 2 Ayesha Dzvarai 88.11%
- 3 Zahraa Larry 86.33%
- 4 Codi Mwenze 85.78%
- 5 Blessing Mumba 84.56%
- 6 Jamie Samaai 83.67%
- 7 Gabriella Jurd 83.33%
- 8 Providence Gumbo 81.44%
- 9 Zahara Magee 81.33%
- 10 Destiny Nwachukwu 81.33%
- 11 Kupakwashe Pulakembo 80.56%
- 12 Tamia Dirkse 80.11%
- 13 YonelaMahlatshana 80.11%
- 14 Leighche Booysen 80%

## Grade 9

- 1 Acwengile Qholani 87.89%
- 2 Dylan Bredenkamp 87.67%
- 3 Ifechukwu Ezeiru 87.33%
- 4 Ketsia Bonifacio 86%
- 5 Joshua Vermeulen 85.11%
- 6 Lilitha Hassan 83.33%
- 7 Siyamthanda Ngwane 83.33%
- 8 Jaziry Magee 83%
- 9 Troy Steyn 83%
- 10 Victoria Chikandiwa 82.44%
- 11 Leila Rtaima 81.44%
- 12 Jonathan Kalalizi 81.33%
- 13 Nokutenda Chisvo 81%
- 14 Dhiya Oersen 80.89%
- 15 Gabrielle Coetzee 80.44%
- 16 Michael Manyau 80.44%
- 17 William Neethling 80.44%
- 18 Thandile Peni 80%



## Grade 10

- 1 Jonathan Kitange 92.43%
- 2 Sopatie Ilunga 87.29%
- 3 Matthew Neethling 87%
- 4 Micaela Abeln 86.43%
- 5 Lutho Ndzukuma 84.71%
- 6 Julie Mandona 84.57%
- 7 Tatenda Maziriri 84.29%
- 8 Ethan Juta 83.71%
- 9 Ethan Udekwe 83.57%
- 10 Simamkele Dudumashe 82.43%
- 11 Jordan Kitange 82.29%
- 12 Jean Du Randt 80.43%

## Grade 11

- 1 Tanaka Chakara 89.43%
- 2 Manaka Chakara 87.14%
- 3 Vuyolwethu Nati 85.57%
- 4 Caleb Lingomba 84.57%
- 5 Tamia Rossouw 84%
- 6 Abraham Tsupane 81.5%
- 7 Chisom Ezeiru 81.13%
- 8 Oluwafunmilayo Akinyemi 80.86%
- 9 Avuzwa Zitho 80.71%

## Grade 12

- 1 Michaela Grundman 84.25%
- 2 Carla Van Rhyn 83.14%
- 3 Zoe Mutume 77.71%
- 4 Jenna Syed 77.71%
- 5 Monique Van Niekerk 75.14%





# Valedictory

ON THURSDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2023,  
MANY EMOTIONS FILLED THE SCHOOL'S HALL AS  
OUR CLASS OF 2023 SAID THEIR GOODBYES  
DURING THEIR VALEDICTORY.

WE COMMEND THIS GROUP OF LEARNERS FOR  
THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION AND WE  
WISH THEM ALL THE BEST FOR THEIR FINALS!













# Bok Friday

## Why the Bok Bash Break initiative?

Our mission is, of course, to show our support to the Springboks in the Rugby World Cup Final and also to make a difference in the lives of two exceptionally talented young girls rugby players, Olwethu Koba (Grade 12) and Isra Isaacs (Grade 11).

They've earned the prestigious opportunity to represent Bosmansdam High School at the World Schools Festival in the Girls u/18 7s rugby competition in Thailand this December. All the funds we raise will be dedicated to helping these two students fulfill their dreams.

Additionally, if you or anyone you know is willing to offer further assistance or contribute additional funds, please feel free to contact the school directly. Your support can make an even greater impact on these promising athletes' journey to success.







## GRADE 8'S KNIGHTS' FEAST X HALLOWEEN

EVERY TERM, A SPECIFIC GRADE IS REQUESTED TO HOST A KNIGHTS' FEAST - OUR VERSION OF THE CONVENTIONAL 'CAKE SALE' - WHEREBY LOADS OF SWEET TREATS ARE SOLD AND A SPECIFIC THEME IS CHOSEN FOR CIVVIES.

THIS TERM IT WAS THE GRADE 8S' OPPORTUNITY TO HOST THE KNIGHTS' FEAST, SO WE THOUGHT... HOW ABOUT A 'SPOOKY SEASON' CROSSOVER? SO, THE THEME FOR THE CIVVIES WAS **JUST THAT. . . HALLOWEEN**







# COURAGE

*is the choice and willingness to confront agony, pain, danger, uncertainty, or intimidation.*



## How do I live it?



**DO:** Do what is needed, necessary or right, despite adversity or unpopularity.

**SEE:** Carry on in spite of danger or difficulty.

**SAY:** Encourage others to stand strong in difficult times or when doing something that requires personal sacrifice.

*I am brave*





# FINAL EXAMS START:

GR12: 30 OCTOBER 2023

GR 10&11: 10 NOVEMBER 2023

GR 8&9: 15 NOVEMBER 2023

*Good!  
Luck!*

