

# 125th Celebration Edition!

“Love is the only blanket that’s woven by the kindness within your heart” – Robert Clancy

Our school has a tradition of caring for the less fortunate and this year, the 67 Blankets for Mandela Day gave us a wonderful opportunity to share the kindness within our hearts through every stitch and every blanket that has been donated. We have been inspired by the outpouring of generosity and we have been invigorated by our indomitable Jeppe spirit. I am astounded by the colossal effort which everyone has put into reaching the target of 670 blankets for Madiba. The recipients of each blanket say: Ke a leboga! Ngiyabonga! Obrigada! Grazi! Baie dankie! Thank you!

Apart from the 67 Blankets Guinness World Record at the Union Buildings in April, this term has been filled to the brim with examinations, Olympiads, winter sports fixtures, the Musical: Fame and the EADS Festival. To each girl that represented the school, thank you for your grace, poise and impeccable manners on the playing fields and congratulations to all the teams who reached personal best performances during the season. I am very proud of everyone who took the field to celebrate their talents. Thank you to the cast and crew of Fame whose energy and enthusiasm on stage left the audience believing that we can indeed live forever. An amateur cast and crew with a tiny budget delivered a very professional and most magnificent production, and all this while juggling sport and examinations. Jeppe Girls have the rare ability of displaying ‘superhero’ qualities. To the staff who gave selflessly towards the holistic development of the young women in their care, I thank you for your commitment and dedication. Your work is vital in developing the future of our country.

Thank you to all the parents who came to support their daughters at sport fixtures, it always so wonderful to have you cheering from the sidelines ☺ Thank you to all the parents who sponsored items for the various tours and Cake and Candy sales, your bold generosity is greatly appreciated and helps us achieve our goals. Thank you too for all the weekly donations of sandwiches for Fairview Primary Children.

May your holiday be filled with awesome adventures and magic moments to replenish the body, mind and soul.

Yours in education

Miss Gonçalves

*PS. Take some time to tweet on #jeppefunrun, and to sell the tickets too*

## 125TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

On the 15th May 2015, the girls walked up the hill to the Boys’ School for a joint assembly with all three Jeppe Schools to celebrate 125 years of the Jeppe family. Each of the classes had made huge birthday cards to carry up on the walk to show their pride for the Jeppe name.

There were speeches from each of the schools, including a delightful speech from our Headgirl Ismatou Balde.

After the speeches, the three schools all participated in a group activity hosted by TeamBo. We first saw TeamBo in action at the Bloemfontein All-Girls School

Festival (see page 3), and decided that they would be perfect to bring some fun to the joint assembly. The schools used simple items (like whack-ems, bucket drums and bang sticks) to make music! It was a wonderful way to see the three schools using their own talents to make beautiful music together. We then had cupcakes before bidding our Boys’ and Preppies farewell!

**The birthday cards made by each class to celebrate the assembly are on display in the school hall. Grade 11D’s card is shown here.**

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## COLOURS

### Academic:

#### **Full Colours**

The following Grade 12 learners were awarded **Full**

#### **Academic Colours for achieving 75% and above in Grade 10 and Grade 11:**

Ammaarah Akhalwaya, Ismatou Balde, Rafeeah Bismilla, Mariam Diallo, Meghan Jarvis, Azminah Jhetam, Jodi Lailvaux, Nolvazi Mamba, Caryn Marx, Micheala Mendes, Angelique Pereira and Kayley Reveley

The following Grade 11 learners were awarded **Full**

#### **Academic Colours for achieving an average of 80% and above in Grade 8, 9 and 10:** Firdous Hamid, Tasmiyah Laher, Tehillah Snyman and Thirasha Waidyaratne

#### **Half Colours**

The following Grade 12 learners were awarded **Half Academic Colours for achieving an average of 70% and above in Grade 10 and Grade 11:** Carina Da Costa, Kajal Deokali, Zakiyah Dockrat, Jessica Evans, Uvanie Govender, Tamlyn Harker, Izaria Hassim, Zenadene Lazarus, Leila Leaf, Zoliswa Makheta, Lerato Niklaas, Nikita Ostoja, Dominique Pereira, Liza Pistolesi, Megan Pringle, Jo-Anne Pringle and Raheel Walljee

The following Grade 11 learners were awarded **Half Academic Colours for achieving an average of 75% and above in Grade 8, 9 and 10:** Zuhaira Ali, Prianka Kara, Maryam Laher, Sumaiya Shaik and Erin van Wyk,

Congratulations to the following girls who were recognised for their involvement in sporting and cultural codes in the first and second terms of 2015:

### Choir:

#### **Full Colours (Re-award):**

Linoi Moravin & Zama Mungwe

#### **Full Colours (New):** Angela Xia

#### **Half Colours (New):**

Moratiwa Malatjie, Lesego Molefe, Thando Nkomo & Nthato Zitha

#### **Merit Award:** Mosima Ramohlale, Lerato Niklaas & Mercy Ndlovu

#### **Team Award:** Linoi Moravin, Zama Mungwe, Mercy Ndlovu, Lerato Niklaas, Mayurie Pandaram & Mosima Ramohlale

### Cricket:

#### **Full Colours (Re-Award):**

Robyn Searle

#### **Half Colours (New):**

Samantha Schutte and Sihle Tsoko

#### **Merit Award:** Gabriella Barrow, Naseeha Laher, Lindokuhle Sukazi and Mahima Vandayar

#### **Team Award:** Kiana Bachu, Gabriella Barrow and Robyn Searle

### Cross Country

#### **Full Colours (Re-Award):**

Sinead De Jager

#### **Half Colours (New):** Azeezah Nakhooa

#### **Merit Award:** Jade Caknis, Anastasia Geldenhuys, Heather Holland, Talia McPherson, Masego Ramatsetse & Ciara van Tonder

#### **Team Award:** Sinead de Jager & Azeezah Nakhooa

### Drama

#### **Full Colours (New):** Sharleen Masango, Mercy Ndlovu & Lerato Niklaas

#### **Half Colours (Re-Award):** Keynesia Martin

#### **Half Colours (New):**

Zama Mungwe, Koketso Ratlou, Thirasha Waidyaratne & Diandra Yorke  
**Merit:** Kiana Bachu, Ismatou Balde, Gabriella Barrow, Sidra Davids, Tyler Dennis,

Michaela Giddion,

Meghan Jarvis, Azminah

Jhetam, Zakithi Khulu,

Gugu Mabhena, Kgaugelo

Makamedi, Moratiwa

Malatjie, Motshebe Man-

gole, Melisa Mpoyi, Minen-

hle Makhubu, Robyn

Searle, Savannah Thevan & Okwethu Zwane

#### **Team Award:** Shannon

Hawker, Mercy Ndlovu,

Sharleen Masango, Lerato

Niklaas, Koketso Ratlou

Kayley Reveley & Diandra

Yorke

### Hockey

#### **Full Colours (Re-Award):**

Yonela Dish

#### **Full Colours (New):**

Ntombilethiwe Zwane

#### **Half Colours (New):**

Bevelina Ledwaba

#### **Merit:** Talia McPherson & Dana Dixon

#### **Team:** Dana Dixon, Meghan Jarvis & Ntombilethiwe Zwane

### Netball

#### **Full Colours (Re-award):**

Brittney Nicholson, Robyn Searle, Okwethu Zwane

#### **Full Colours (New):**

Masedi Ncamani

#### **Half Colours (New):**

Nkanyezi Mashaba

#### **Merit Award:** Diandra Yorke, Sophie Kowa, Khanyisile Ndaba, Jasmine Acton,

Shaylene Clarke, Tafadzwa

Makhuza, Joice Msimuko,

Angelique Wohnritz,

Chante Bishop

Sabrina Lemos, Minenhle

Makhubu, Lilian Ugochu-

kulu, Kgomotso Sekhuk-

hune, Shannon Palmer &

Jenna Searle

#### **Team Award:** Ismatou

Balde, Nkanyezi Mashaba

Caroline Msimuko, Masedi

Ncamani, Brittney Nichol-

son, Terry Ntendesha

Robyn Searle, Diandra

Yorke & Okwethu Zwane

### Public Speaking

#### **Full Colours (Re-Award):**

Zoliswa Makhetha

#### **Full Colours (New):** Meghan

Jarvis & Azminah Jhetam

#### **Half Colours (New):** Ismatou

Balde, Firdous Hamid, Shar-

leen Masango, Sinéad Hovel-

meier & Thirasha Waidyaratne

#### **Merit Award:** Dominique

Meysel, Michaela Giddion,

Jenna Franks, Woniso Ma-

zonde, Sashenka Naicker,

Philile Nkabinde, Raeesah Va-

hab, Tiffany Wilton, Tiffany

Harzon, Carmen Parker &

Hlakaniphile Mngomezulu

#### **Team Award:** Azminah

Jhetam, Meghan Jarvis, Isma-

tou Balde, Melisa Mpoyi,

Zoliswa Makhetha, Sharleen

Masango & Michelle Letsoalo

### Swimming

#### **Half Colours (Re-Award):**

Christie Despotakis

#### **Half Colours (New):** Hayley

Landers, Shaylene Clark, Gina

Warner, Gabrielle Wüstenha-

gen and Caitlin Davies

#### **Merit Award:** Dana Dixon,

Tamlyn Harker, Courtney

Tully, Chanté Bishop, Bethany

Harker, Sabrina Lemos, Syd-

ney McDougall, Nicole Baxter

and Jenna Searle

#### **Team Award:** Mary Atkinson,

Dana Dixon, Tamlyn Harker

and Hayley Landers.

### Tennis

#### **Half Colours (Re-Award):**

Chanel Fookune, Lauren Zee-

gers and Yonela Dish

#### **Half Colours (New):**

Emanuela Pereira and Chané

Bothma

#### **Merit Award:** Caryn Marx,

Jaime Stiglingh, Kayla Haw-

thorn, Cailin Fourie, Anastasia

Geldenhuys, Zigane Williams

and Erin Platt

#### **Team Award:** Chanel Foo-

kune, Isabella Kamanga, Caryn

Marx, Emanuela Pereira, Jaime

Stiglingh and Lauren Zeegers

## FAME: THE MUSICAL



This year the school decided to put on the production *Fame: The Musical* to celebrate the Jeppe Schools' 125th anniversary. The production is a stage musical based on the 1980 musical film *Fame*, and ran from the 7th to 16th May. It tells the story of several students who attend the High School of Performing Arts, among them fame-obsessed Car-

men (played by Lerato Niklaas), ambitious actress Serena (Mercy Ndlovu), wisecracking comedian Joe (Keynesia Martin), quiet violinist Schlomo (Sukeina Is-sufo), and "talented but dyslexic" dancer Tyrone (Koketso Ratlou/Margret Mashala). The play was directed by Ms. Pugin, in collaboration with Mrs. MacRobert (voice coach) and

Miss. Smithers (choreographer). The play was a spectacle of fun, with most of the nights being sold out.

Other lead characters were played by Melisa Mpoyi, Meghan Jarvis, Nobuhle Mbanjwa, Sidra Davids, Moratiwa Malatjie, Zakithi Khulu, Zama Mungwe, Savannah Thevan, and Gugu Mabheni. They were supported by a large student body cast consisting of Nomathemba Masango, Dimpho Mphahlele, Chane Bothma, Jasmine Acton, Woniso Mazonde, Motshebe Mangole, Minenhle Makhubu, Thando Madondo, Nicole Mychajluk, Lizan Potgieter, Bethany Harker, Tsholofelo Mavuso, Jenna Orchard, Nthabiseng Sibuyi, Tyler Dennis, Nasreen Sass, Dominique Meysel, Jenna Franks, Darian Wharren, Yonela Dishi, Nyeleti Mnisi, Tafadzwa

Makhuza, and Stacy Tim.

The backstage crew led by Ms. De Villiers included Daniella Leo, Raheemah Gani, Raquel De Oliveria, Kiana Bachu, Susana De Abreu, and Sinead Hovelmeier, worked tirelessly to make the backdrop of the play. The technical crew, led by Ms. Shawinsky, with Shannon Hawker, Kayley Reveley, Sharleen Masango, Thirasha Waidyaratne, Shaylene Clark, Cayley Hegyi, Anastasia Geldenhuys, and Raeesah Ayob did a great job!

A special thank you must be extended to Mrs Kruger and the live orchestra who brought a special touch to the play.

Further thanks to Miss Griffiths for her graphic designs, and Bon-sai Graphics for the banner, tickets, posters and t-shirts.

## SACEE DEBATING

Our debaters took part in the Sacee League once again this year. The first debate was against KES who proposed the motion "Grant immunity to mercenaries who train national armies to fight terrorists in their nations". Jeppe Girls was the opposer. The topic for the second debate was "In the spirit of the "Rhodes must fall" movement, this house would demolish the Voortrekker monument." The motion was proposed by Saheti and opposed by Jeppe. The motion for the third debate was "This house would allow people to auction off their virginity on the internet." This was proposed by King David Linksfeld and opposed by Jeppe. Winning four out of the six debates in round 1 meant that Jeppe Girls were one of the fourteen schools who made it through to the 2nd round of the SACEE League. Our debaters again won four out of the six debates in round 2. Well done to Maryam Laher, Sumaiya Shaik, Woniso Mazonde, Azminah Jhetam, Melisa Mpoyi and Mariam Diallo for this year's brilliant performance.

## SCHOOLS FEST

On the 24th April 2015, 47 Girls travelled to Bloemfontein for the annual All-Girl Schools Festival. We were hosted by Oranje Meisies, with the motto being "Passion in Action".

The girls gave their everything while competing in Tennis, Netball, Hockey, Chess, Drama, Debating, Public Speaking, Master-Chef, and the Einsteiners.

Even despite the epidemic of stomach flu, the girls still had fun and achieved wonderful results and ranking.

## EQUESTRIAN TEAM

Our Equestrian girls have been performing very well this year and the Jeppe Girls' team is currently in First Place in their category (Category H) with 2250 points. Congratulations ladies!

## 67 BLANKET DISTRIBUTION

Jeppe Girls took up the 67 blankets challenge in December 2014 and since then, girls, educators, administrators, cleaning staff, friends and families have been busy crocheting and knitting handmade blankets for this wonderful cause which is spearheaded by a former Jeppe pupil, Carolyn Steyn.

The joint effort saw Jeppe handing in 408 blankets for the April 21st deadline. The initial 408 blankets have been distributed by a small team of girls and staff area and reached them before the first cold snap of winter.

Places who benefited included Johannesburg Children's Home, We Care, Siyabonga Children's Home, Woodside Sanctuary, Cotlands, Elandsvallei Old Age Home, and Salvation Army.

We are still aiming for the R210 000 grand prize to be given by Carolyn Steyn to the first school to reach the target of 670 single blankets by 18 July. Blankets

need to be 180cm by 140cm and can be delivered to Carole Heming in Reception at the school on the 15th July 2015.

## POETRY FOR LIFE

The regional competition for Poetry for Life took place during the Easter holidays. Each school had two entrants, each of whom presented an international poem and a South African poem. The competition was the first of its kind in South Africa.

Keynesia Martin and Thirasha Waidyaratne represented the school at the regional competition. Both did very well and Keysnesia was one of the two winners of the Gauteng competition. She attended the national competition in Franschoek Literary Festival in May, but was unable to participate fully because it clashed with "Fame: The Musical".



## SPORTS ROUND UP

### Sport Star of the Month, April/May/June 2015:

Nominees:

**Ciara van Tonder** - Cross-Country District Participation, Top Achievement for Sprint & Middle-distance  
**Kezia Reddy** - Top Achievement for Sprint & Middle-distance

**Heather Holland** - Cross-Country District Participation, Top-20 Placing

**Nadia Calore** - Alberton Swimming Club u13/14 age group winner, 1st place for strokes and Individual Medley

**Anastasia Geldenhuys** - Cross-Country District Participation, Top-20 Placing

**Sinead De Jager** - Cross-Country District Participation, Top-20 Placing

**Talia McPherson** - u14C South Gauteng Hockey Team, Cross-Country District Participation, Top-20 Placing

**Jenna Searle** - Netball and Hockey District teams

**Bevelina Ledwaba** - South Gauteng u18D Hockey Team

**Yonela Dishi** - South Gauteng u18B Hockey Team

**Victoria Griffiths** - Achieving PB's in the Regional Swimming Finals for 50m Freestyle and 100m Butterfly

**Okwethu Zwane** - Selection to the Gauteng U18 Netball Team

**Minenhle Makhubu** - Selection for the Regional u15 Netball team

Winner of the Sport Star of the Month award for April/May:

#### **Robyn Searle**

Gauteng Cricket u19 Player of the Year, Gauteng Women's Captain and Batsman of the Year

\*The sports staff commends all the girls who represented the school at some or other extra-mural, and we thank the coaching staff for their superb efforts.\*

Congratulations to our Netballers for their fantastic performance this season. Our **1<sup>st</sup> Team, u15A and u16A teams** won their league pool finals, the District final and the Inter District finals against D10 and D14. This qualified them for their Regional finals against D2, D10, D11, D12 and D14. We are extremely proud of you ladies!

**U14 Hockey** team were unbeaten this season (8 matches against tough opposition), not conceding a goal! The **1<sup>st</sup> Hockey** Team moved up a league and competed against some very good hockey schools. They played 8 league games, won 4, drew 2 and lost 2.

Sinead de Jager, Azeezah Nakhooda, Talia Mc Pherson, Heather Holland, Anastasia Geldenhuys, Masego Ramatsetse, Ciara Van Tonder, Jade Caknis, Jascy Edom, Nadia Calore, Kimberley January and Tasneem Bharoochi represented the school at **Cross Country** Inter Districts.

Nadia Calore was the u13/u14 age group winner at the recent Alberton Swimming Club awards. She received 1<sup>st</sup> place for all the **swimming** strokes and the Individual Medley. Victoria Griffiths achieved her PB times at the Gauteng Aquatics Regional Swimming Finals, for 50m Freestyle and 100m Butterfly.

The Sports Star winner for the months of April/May and June is an extraordinary athlete; with her cricket achievements this last season at the school and for her province (Gauteng Cricket u19 Player of the Year, Gauteng Women's Captain and Batsman of the Year)..Congratulations to **Robyn Searle!**

The Sports News of the term was the highly anticipated Netball match between the staff and councillors held at the Interhouse Netball and Hockey Tournament! Despite their valiant effort, the councillors lost 5-6 to the enthusiastic and resourceful members of staff.

The house results:

#### Hockey

**Junior Hockey**  
6<sup>th</sup> Nerine

4<sup>th</sup> Gerbera and Protea  
3<sup>rd</sup> Crassula  
2<sup>nd</sup> Disa  
1<sup>st</sup> Harveya

**Senior Hockey**  
6<sup>th</sup> Protea  
5<sup>th</sup> Crassula  
4<sup>th</sup> Nerine

3<sup>rd</sup> Gerbera  
2<sup>nd</sup> Harveya  
1<sup>st</sup> Disa

#### **VOLLEYBALL**

Congratulations to Caroline Msimuko who has been selected by the Gauteng Central Volleyball Union to play in the National Inter Provincial Tournament hosted by Volleyball SA from the 12th—18th July at Wits University.



#### Netball

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5<sup>th</sup> Crassula and Nerine  
4<sup>th</sup> Harveya

2<sup>nd</sup> Gerbera and Protea  
1<sup>st</sup> Disa

**Senior Netball**

6<sup>th</sup> Crassula  
5<sup>th</sup> Harveya  
4<sup>th</sup> Disa

2<sup>nd</sup> Nerine and Protea  
1<sup>st</sup> Gerbera

## NEWS IN BRIEF



**Jepp High School for Girls**

**Jepp Fun Run**

**5km Run & Walk**

**Date:** Saturday 15 August 2015

**Start Time:** 08h00

**Venue:** Jepp High School for Girls  
(Start at the main school building)

**Race Entry:** R40, available from the school

More information  
sport@jeppgirls.co.za or 011 616 5090  
Refreshments available on the day

## REUNIONS

Jepp High School for Girls will be hosting its annual reunion for 'Old Girls' on the 26th September 2015.

Due to the Jepp 125 celebration, we are particularly arranging this event for the 'five' classes of '45 (circa), '55, '65, '75, '85, '95 and 2005.

The school will host the ladies and the cost per head and other details will be finalised nearer the time.

We need a volunteer from each year to drive their part of the reunion. Wynona Watt (wynona@jeppgirls.co.za) is happy to send out contact details. So far we have confirmed responses from the classes of '65, '85 and '95. Please contact the school for further details and/or to arrange your class!

125 YEARS OF JEPPE —  
COFFEE TABLE BOOK

The Jepp Trust appointed a committee to commemorate this important milestone in the growth and development of Jepp over 125 years, by releasing a limited edition coffee table book. The members are all Jepp affiliates who have collectively varied and extensive knowledge of the schools and Quondam's histories.

Our history will be an interesting and captivating read from its early days of struggle right up to the impressive growth in reputation and quality that our schools enjoy today. In this remarkable publication, clues of our phenomenal history will be answered

Since we would like to see a work of quality that will find a proud place in our homes and various libraries wherever we live, we request financial support in the form of both sponsorship and a commitment to purchase the book.

The cost to sponsor a page is R1 250. Your donation of R1 000 is tax deductible under Section 18A of the Income Tax Act and a copy of the book which will be sold to the public at R300 each.

Please contact Samantha Atrash at [sam@jeppetrust.co.za](mailto:sam@jeppetrust.co.za) or 082 447 0989 if you are interested in sponsoring a page or purchasing a book.

Keep up to date with school events via the



**THE BARNYARD THEATRE**

**THANK YOU FOR THE MUSIC**

**ABBA, BEE GEES & QUEEN Tribute**

**Jepp High School for Girls**  
invite you to:

**THANK YOU FOR THE MUSIC**

ABBA, Queen and The Bee Gees are three of the most influential pop and rock groups of all time.

This spectacular Barnyard Theatre Production takes you on a trip through space and time in the 70s and the 80s when glitz, glam and some of the greatest pop tunes ever written emerged.

**Venue:** The Emperors Palace Barnyard Theatre

**Date:** Friday, 31 July 2015

**Time:** Doors open at 18:30, Show starts at 20:00

**Tickets:** R155 per person

**Bookings:** A. Brijnath - 011 616 5090 / [abrijnath@jeppgirls.co.za](mailto:abrijnath@jeppgirls.co.za)



\*Cash bar available. No beverages may be brought in from the outside.