



Die Affies Padda



Apr-Sept 2024



A MESSAGE FROM OUR TEAM



BEANE TJEBA

Good day Affies, this second term's main focus has been on the winter sports, hockey, netball and rugby. What truly sets us apart is how we prospered in term three and obtained favourable results in other aspects apart from sports. Setting victory as your goal makes you gain a whole different perspective in your life, as I would say "a winning mindset sets a soul free from anxiety" In addition our school has celebrated Mental Health Awareness month by spreading knowledge to the ones who are curious and we have made sure that the ones who suffer from any mental health conditions are seen, supported and acknowledged. I hope that we all keep this optimistic attitude toward us, teachers and our school because together we can make a whole difference and accomplish whatever we set our minds on.

FROM OUR GOVERNING BODY

Hello Affies community!

We're thrilled to share our progress since you electing the School Governing Body (SGB) of 17 dedicated members in March 2024.

SGB Office Bearers:

- *Chair:* Mr. Thabo Matima
- *Deputy Chair:* Mr. Wimpie Fourie
- *Secretary:* Mrs. Lebohang Manenzhe
- *Treasurer:* Mrs. Nthabiseng Mabalane

Highlights:

- 10 Committees covering key areas like Student Matters and Finance.
- Increased Parental Involvement with a revived Parent Association and initiating Town Hall meetings.

Thank you for your support as we enhance our school!



“ The best accessory
a person can own is

CONFIDENCE

Mental Health Awareness Month



“Taking care of your mental health is an act of self-love.”

Mental health awareness is crucial for fostering a supportive and empathetic society where individuals feel empowered to seek help without stigma. By raising awareness about mental health, we can educate people on the signs and symptoms of mental health conditions, reduce misconceptions, and promote early intervention. Understanding that mental health is just as important as physical health encourages a more holistic approach to well-being, where people are motivated to take care of their mental health proactively. It also creates a space where conversations about mental health are normalized, helping to build stronger support systems and ensuring that those struggling feel less isolated and more understood.

Our school started Mental Health Awareness Month in May in 2022. Learners can wear a green ribbon to represent support toward the cause. There are so many learners and so many people struggling with mental health issues in silence. This project is to encourage these people to speak out about their struggles. To receive the help they so dearly need.

This year learners could purchase bracelets to show their support. There were different types of bracelets representing each type of mental health disorder. Each day had a topic and a message was sent in the groups, dealing with the different topics.



Vanessa Thekiso



How to Build Self Confidence

Convince yourself
of the ability

look in your mirror
and make a deal
with yourself

learn your
abilities

believe in
yourself





PARENTS' PLAYER

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Our School's Parents Committee has come together and created, for the first time ever, the "Parents' Player 23".

The 'PP23' is an invitation and challenge for all Affie parents to come and support our Affie learners at sport events, culture events, and academic events. This way, we can support all our Affies and encourage our parents to be more involved in the school.

Baie dankie aan al die ouers wat hierdie kwartaal deel was van die 'PP23'. Ons waardeer elke opoffering wat julle maak in die naam van ons skool!

VANESSA THEKISO





RUGBY

Hlompho Mlotshwa

1. This season, our rugby boys learned some valuable life lessons:
2. Good things take time. Rome wasn't built in a day.
3. Giving up means knowing when to let go.
4. The only failures are those who never try.
5. It was a grueling season for our boys. But Affies Rugby is catching up, slowly but surely. Our boys played against some of the toughest teams in the league. Hard work never goes unseen. You have done well boys.



Results:

- U/14 played 3, won 1
- U/15 played 6, won 5
- U/16 played 2, won 1
- U/17 played 4, won 4
- U/19 played 8, won 4

Die O/15 Rugby seuns is uitgenooi na die noordvaal uitspele op die 27de Julie. Sterkte seuns! Julle maak Affies trots.





LIHLE POSWAYO

Na afloop van die netbaltoer in die eerste kwartaal, het ons netbal-dogters hul nuutgevonde vaardighede op die netbalbaan gewys en die opponente in die stof agtergelaat.

Baie dankie aan die toewyding van die netbal-afrigters en netbalspeelsters met hierdie netbalseisoen.

Results:

- U/14 A played 5, won 5
- U/14 B played 3, 1 win and 1 draw
- U/15 A played 5, won 5
- U/15 B played 1 game.
- U/16 A played 4, won 3
- U/18 A played 5, won 4
- U/18 B played 1, won 1

Congratulations to the U/14 A team and the U/15 A team who won the finals in their league!





NETBAL 2024



ONS UITSTEKENDE NETBALDAMES

Ons is trots op ons netbaldames wat Dinsdag 30 April netbalproewe in Welkom Vrystaat bygewoon het. Ons eie onderwysers maak ons harte trots as kundige skeidsregters en keurders.

Mev. Talana Malherbe is gekies as keurder vir die Vrystaat O/16 proewe.

Mev. Corné Wessels is gekies as keurder vir die Vrystaat O/18 proewe, asook gradeerder by Suid-Afrikaanse Netbalkampioenskappe.

Mev. Suelett Tintinger is gekies as skeidsregter vir die O/16 Suid-Afrikaanse Netbalkampioenskappe. Sy is ook gekies as skeidsregter vir die TNC en "All Ages"

Juffrou Charné Smit is gekies as skeidsregter vir die Vrystaat netbalproewe.

Baie geluk met jul nuwe aanstellings in die netbalwêreld en sterkte met die netbalkampioenskappe hierdie vakansie.



NETBALL FAST FIVE



The netball Fast 5 is a quick-paced, action-filled game. Each team has five games to play.

Our U/15 team came in third, winning three out of five games.

The U/17 team also won three out of five games.

Hokkie



Tlhonefatso Moloji

Na 'n groot gesukkel post-COVID, het die hokkie uiteindelik weer vlam gevat by Affies.

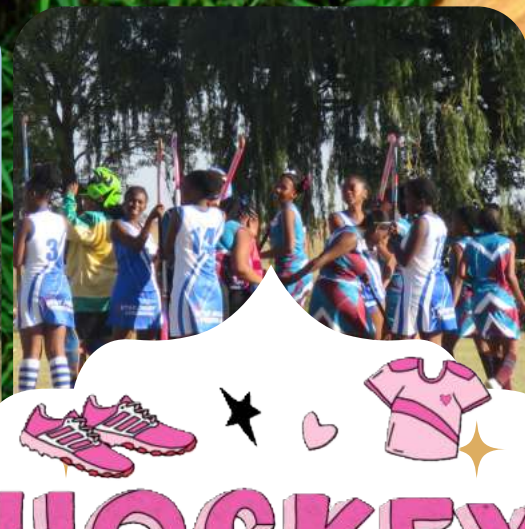
Die O/15 meisies het regtig baie mooi gespeel. Uit vier wedstryde het hul twee gewen en een gelykop gespeel. Hul het dus derde in die liga gekom.

Die eerste span het vierde in die liga gekom met een wen uit vier wedstryde wat gespeel is.

We are looking forward to next year, with hopefully more girls to make up more teams.

Hockey isn't just a sport, it's a way of life,

WERKEN GLO

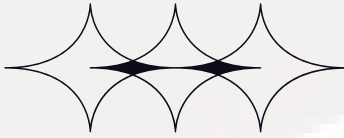


HOCKEY



Vanessa Thekiso

THE TENNIS



Revolution

*Die tennis-gogga het vir Affies kom kuier en 'n paar Affies gevang, asook vir Juffrou Deale!
Ons is opgewonde om tennis te sien floreer in die toekoms.*



Our first team played in the league this term, and two of the boys showed great potential.

Draiven Barnard won 2 single matches and 1 doubles match with Kananelo Mathosa, who also won both his singles matches.



Nuwe Bane, Nuwe Era!

Affies het vir Willie van Oorkant Tennisbane gekry om 3 van ons tennisbane se oppervlak binne 2 weke klaar te doen. Een van die bane is 'n multicourt wat ook lyne het vir basketbal. Die lank gewag was die 14 dae wat ons nie op die baan kon gaan nie sodat die baan kan "set". Die bane was meer as 8 jaar laas in gebruik, maar as gevolg van belangstelling van leerders het ons Affies dit goed gedink om tennis weer af te skop.

En wat is tennis sonder tennisbane?

Mnr. Kleynhans het die nuwe bane vir ons geopen op 22 Mei waar Juffrou Vorster, Juffrou Wessels, Meneer Neo, Mr Kadi, Juffrou van Greunen en Juffrou enkels en dubbels teen die tennisspan gespeel het en Mr Kleynhans as die 'umpire' opgetree het





Chess

BOKAMOSO MAFALE



Thanks to the dedication of Miss Dreyer, chess at Affies is now bigger than ever. We have two full chess teams. Our first team, unfortunately, did not make it to the league finals, but watch them next year!

Town Eliminations:

Elihu Dim 5/5 

Andile Siyali 4,5/5 

Lunga Madlanga 4,5/5 

Gomolemo Tabane 4/5 

Ewan Jansen van Vuuren 3,5/5 (joint 4th)

District Eliminations:

Gomolemo 3.5/5

Andile 3/5

Lunga 3/5

Elihu 3/5

Ewan 2/5

Well done to everyone!





LANDLOOP



“For a sprinter the thrill is going fast, but for a long distance runner it is the journey in between the start and the end.”

–Unknown

Vanessa Thekiso

Saam met baie ander verwickelinge, het ons ook begin met landloop hierdie jaar by Affies.

Party mense (soos die uwe) hardloop net as iets hul jaag, maar hierdie Affies maak ons harte trots met hul vrywilligheid en uithouvermoë.

Let's give a hand to our cross country runners:

Boys U/18 8km

- Velakhe Nosenga

Boys U/17 6km

- Phindile Thsehlo
- Tumi Mohatlane
- Tsebo Moloi

Boys U/15 4km

- Peroni Lephuting
- Kananelo Mathosa

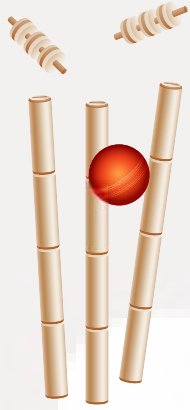
Girls U/16 4km

- Mathapelo Rapuleng
- Beane Tjeba



Krieket

Hlompho Motshwa



Affies krieket was nog altyd iets om mee te spog. Vir die eerste keer het ons 'n meisie wat saam met die seuns in een span gespeel het. Dit is 'history in the making'.

Hule het in totaal drie wedstryde gespeel en twee daarvan gewen.

Ons het verloor teen Anker, maar het tog 9 meer paaltjies gekry. Dit is alles te danke aan oud-Affie Marco Fouché wat as assistent-afrigter ingetree het.

Brandon Roos shone bright as the VP this season. Our boyos, and girl, look very dashing in their new uniforms.



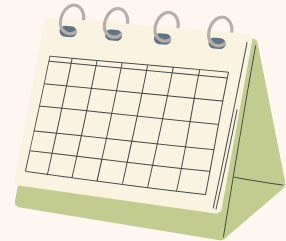
TIPS TO MANAGE YOUR TIME



CREATE YOUR TIME



USE CHECK-LISTS



SET DEADLINES



ELIMINATE INTERRUPTIONS



FOCUS ON ONE THING



TAKE SOME BREAK

Ascension Day



Fashion brand campaigns often set the tone for the season, blending creativity with the latest trends to captivate audiences worldwide.

SAOU LEIERSBERAAD



Op 7 Junie het 'n baie begeesterde bestuur 'n seminaar oor strategiese benadering tot skoolbestuur, in Bloemfontein bygewoon. 'n Verkeidenheid insiggewende onderwerpe is deur kenners bespreek, soos byvoorbeeld die rol van beheerliggame, die belangrikheid van 'n van 'n gesonde personeelkamer, skole met uitgebreide buitemuurse programme, en effektiewe kurrikulumsbestuur. Affies se bestuursdames kan nie wag om hu nuutgevonde kennis by Affies uit te oefen nie. Die Padda het hierdie dames uitgevra oor hul ervaring met hierdie leiersberaad en dit was hul antwoorde:

“Uitstekende aanbiedings wat enige leier met 'n nuwe perspektief na die onderwys en ook die bestuur van 'n skool laat kyk Praktiese toepassings hoe om jou skool na nuwe hoogtes te neem. Fokus op personeelverhoudings en hoe om die werksplek na 'n postiewe omgewing te omskep.”
- Heleen van Greunen.

“Die temas wat daar bespreek was het grootendeels gehandel oor die bestuur van 'n skool en die rol van die beheerliggaam, die invloed van 'n personeelkamer en hoe dit kan bydra tot die gemoed van die personeel, die invloed van buitemuurse programme en hoe dit sukses kan kweek asook die belangrikheid van kurrikulum bestuur ten spyte van die druk wat ons in skole ervaar op 'n daaglikse basis. Elke tema was behandel deur 'n ervare spreker wat tans huidiglik te doen het met hierdie uitdagings wat ons as bestuurslede op 'n daaglikse basis ervaar.

Om die voorreg te kon hê om te sit en luister na elke een van hierdie besondere leiers was inspirerend om net weer te besef dat daar mense daar buite is wat 'n sukses maak te midde van al die “chaos” wat ons in die onderwys ervaar en dit het my net weer laat besef dat as hulle dit kan doen dan kan ek ook 'n verskil maak.

Maar die verskil gaan nie net vanself gebeur nie, die beraad het my laat besef dat ek my perspektief sal moet verander en ophou om vas te hou aan tradisies wat lankaal nie meer relevant is in vandag se era en tyd waarin ons lewe nie. Ek as leier moet besef dat ek die probleme wat vandag ervaar word nie kan oplos met oplossings van 20 jaar terug nie. Ek het ook geleer dat mikorbestuur 'n situasie net kan vererger. As leier is dit van kardinale belang om die mense wat saam met jou werk te vertrou en om saam as 'n span te werk. Sukses is slegs moontlik as daar 'n visie is. Klein veranderinge kan lei tot groot sukses as ons as onderwysers en bestuurders van 'n skool gewillig is om saam te werk na 'n gemeenskaplike doel. Die beraad in 'n neutedop was inspirerend, insiggewend, “eye opening” en het weer my passie laat opvlam vir dit wat ons in die onderwys met ons toekomstige leiers van hierdie land kan vermag.” -Telana Vorster .

“Dit was baie interessant. Het baie geleer. Het ons skool se bestuurspan gehelp om n eenheid te word, met die wat ons saam gery het en mekaar beter leer ken het. Dink beslis ons moet dit jaarliks doen. Gee nuwe perspektief.” - Mev. C. Wessels.

“The leadership summit on 07/06 in Bloemfontein was very insightful and made absolute sense in terms of leadership. Rian Truter made excellent points on healthy relationships with colleagues and did a great job providing actionable concepts in a way that encouraged instant application. The summit exceeded my expectations. I am thankful for having the opportunity to attend.” -An-Elmarie Franck.

“Wat is ñ leier? Ons het uitstekende leiers by Affies, en ons bestuur het gegaan om by ander leiers tou wys te maak...Bloem was yskoud, maar ons warm Affie harte het alles beter gemaak, en net oor ons elkeen daar was om te leer en beter te word om Affies ñ uitmuntende skool te maak...”
- Madelein de Waal.

“Die leiersberaad in Bloemfontein was ongelooflik insiggewend vir Affies se bestuursspan, ons het gees en span gebou. Mnr Rian Truter het ons geleer om ons personeelkamer 'n 'happy place' te maak en al die ou goed uit te gooi. Die hoof van Oranje Meisieskool doen alles saam met haar leerders, van klasse skoonmaak, asblikke was. Dan het ons geleer oor ons 'oudag' aftreegeld wat bitter min is. Ons borge het vir ons almal 'n stress balletjie, koffiebekker, nota hoop en penne gegee. Die verblyf was heerlik na die spanning van die reis in die wind Donderdag, ons kon Me Coetzee se verjaardag vier Donderdagaand. Ons het Vrydagoggend 'n heerlike ontbyt gehad en was gereed vir ons opleiding.” -Louise Greyling

“Die leiersberaad was baie sinvol. Die SMT is ingelig oor die belangrikheid van 'n goeie skoolkultuur en hoe dit tot die sukses van die skool kan bydra. Individue kan nie altyd op hul eie sukses waarborg nie, spanwerk is baie nodig. Slaggate in die onderwys is ook bespreek. Kommunikasie is baie belangrik, selfs tussen skole. Die beraad het 'n holistiese prent van harde realiteite geskets. Dit was baie leersaam.” -Melanie Crawford

*“Na aanleiding van my mede SMT lede se beskrywings oor hulle ervaring mbt die Leiersberaad.... ‘Watch this space’”
Talana Malherbe*



Mother's Day



12 May 2024



A day to celebrate, a day to adore, the mothers who bring love to our shore. Their selfless care, their guiding light, help us navigate through life's plight. With gentle hands and a loving heart, they nurture us from the very start.

Through laughter and tears, they stand by our side, and help us grow with a loving pride. Their patience and kindness, a constant theme, a love so strong, it's truly a dream. So on this day, we take a pause, to thank our mothers for all their cause.

For the late nights, the early dawns. For the sacrifices, the love that's born. For the memories, the laughter we share. We thank our mothers, who show us they care.

HAPPY
Mother's Day

Magical Maths



Only the brave entered the Free State Mathematics Competition 2024, and one person came out a winner! Rewald Collett 11A joint 1st place in Fezile Dabi gr 11 for quintile 4 and 5 schools. He will be competing in the final round in Bloemfontein on 11 and 12 October.

$$X = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Affies open Day

The open day took place on the 15th of May, the theme was Fortnite and Affies welcomed over 200 Grade 7s.



There were more than 300 parents at the open day, bringing their Grade 7 children to take a sneak peek at the school.

The evening started with a mini show in the quad, then the parents were taken on a tour of the school while the Grade 7s were led to the gym hall.

It was a big event, and with any event, there were a few hiccups, but next time we'll make sure everyone gets fed.



Tips About Life: ♡

- live in the moment
- balance work and life
- don't hold grudges
- embrace a growth mindset
- take action ♡
- be grateful everyday
- be courageous and responsible
- life is not a competition
- improve your social skill ♡





#FRIYAY





Mr. Kleynhans introduced the new owners of the tuck shop to the school on April 5, 2024. They are known as DC Chambers. Obtaining the tender was a challenging process due to the high number of applicants, with over 20 applicants vying for it.

The new tuck shop owners differentiate themselves from the old owners by selling local South African food. There are no limitations on orders, and their menu has surprised the students, ensuring that no one avoids visiting the shops around the school.

The first few weeks were very chaotic. There was a long line throughout the entire break. The students had already gotten used to the food being sold there. The owners are very friendly and have mentioned that they feel very welcomed and love being part of Affies.

Lihle Mpembe

The first week of the new food offerings was chaotic. The new owners were well-received and everyone wanted to try the amazing dishes. They added their own twist to the menu by introducing different kinds of food, such as skhambane, vetkoek, biltong, and more. We all agree on one thing: the food is fantastic!

We're all looking forward to what they have in store for us next term. Maybe some hot chocolate for the winter?

Lihle Poswayo

TUCK SHOP



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Would you rather



Would you rather be
Captain America or Iron
Man?

Would you rather



Would you rather teleport
to another place or
another time?

Would you rather



Would you rather have
all-female siblings or
all-male siblings?

Would you rather



Would you rather get
banned from Instagram
or X?

Would you rather



Would you rather be only
able to receive texts or
send them?

Would you rather



Would you rather live in
Los Angeles or New York?

Would you rather



Would you rather work part-time
or ask your parents for money to
buy the latest gadgets?

Would you rather



Would you rather go to a
concert or the movies for
a date?

Would you rather



Would you rather win or
let others win?

Would you rather



Would you rather win the
lottery or have the ability
to shape-shift?

Would you rather



Would you rather have
telekinesis or be able to
stop time?

Would you rather



Would you rather have a family
member post a video of you singing
or dancing on social media?

A Warm Affie Welcome

Juf. Leandr  Jackson

Juf. Jackson het in September by ons aangesluit in die plek van Juf Zelmarie Meijer. Sy gee tans Afr EAT en Eng HL.



Mrs. Thato Majoe

Mrs Majoe has been with us since the beginning of term 2. She was pushed into the deep end with the noticeable absence of a life coach in term 1. Coach Thato has two degrees in counseling and has already made her presence felt. She hit the ground running and we are looking forward to many years with her in our Affie Family.

Amantle Sephiri





Feminine Hygiene is key

AMANTLE SEPHIRI

The SASOL 'Keep a Girl in School' initiative will not only provide sanitary towels to 900 girls over 12 months, but they will provide information about menstrual health as a way of empowering them for the next phase of their lives.

In partnership with Sasol, Key Care NCP visited Affies in May to donate four boxes of sanitary pads to Affies.

Key Care NCP is a local charity that focuses on providing schools with free sanitary products to boost their confidence and never miss a day of school or resort to unhygienic means.

What's The Tea?

MISS KLEYNHANS HAS BEEF WITH MRS. MALHERBE?



It all started with an innocent Mother's Day video made by the excom. Each female teacher was crowned and named according to their most positive attribute.

Mrs. Lindner is always smiling, Miss Keulder is the nicest person, Mrs. Crawford is the best motivator, etc. All of these messages were very endearing and nice to receive.

But! How could they name Mrs. Malherbe a certified Swiftie and not Miss Kleynhans? Anybody who knows Miss Kleynhans, would know how much of a Swiftie she is, right?

This is why Miss Kleynhans has decided to challenge to the ultimate Taylor Swift quiz, to once and for all determine the true 'Certified Swiftie'.

JUFFROU ZELMARIE GAAN WEG.

Dis met 'n swaar hart wat ons Mev. Zelmarie Meijer moet groet.

Juffrou Zelmarie stap al lank die Affie-pad. SY was hier deur dik en dun, en sy los 'n baie groot gat om te vul.

Tog weet ons die Here het 'n ander plan vir haar en haar gesin. Mag Juffrou die ander kant van die reënboog vind en pasop vir kort groen mannetjies!



What's The Tea?

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLYWEDS.



On Saturday 21 September Miss Smit tied the knot with her fiancé Willie Venter. Congratulations Miss Smit (Venter)! May your love bloom into a wonderful garden.

Mr Martin Botha, our beloved IT teacher and Pastor, is getting married to Jacolien Smit on the 28th of September. If anyone deserves happiness in love, it is you Mr Botha. We wish you eons of happiness.



JUF. WESSELS HET VIR HAAR 'N SPRINGBOK GEVANG

Wie sou nou kon raai dat 'n mens vir Eben Etzebeth, Springbok rugbyspeler, binne in Sasolburg se Woolies Food sal raakloop? Juf Wessels is die gelukkige wenner van 'n foto saam met hom, en is dit net ek of lyk hy korter?





KIDS SAY THE DARNEST THINGS...

Op watter interessante maniere is jou van al gespel?

Can you guess the teacher by the wacky spellings of their surnames?



Thart
Tiaart
Tjaart
Tieart.

MATAMBU

Mrs. Van Neekerk
Mrs. Funnykerk

KLEINHUIS
KLAHANSI
CLAYHANDS

Motlhale
Mothlale

JUF. KALENDER
JUF. KELDER

LOL

Mrs Zecharil Meeuer

Lithna
Linder
Lidden

Mr. Sir Pole Lavas
Lapaskagnie
Povel Labaskagne





BOOST YOUR DAY IN 5 SIMPLE WAYS

Hydrate: Drink a glass of water first thing

Stretch: 5-minute morning yoga session

Nourish: A healthy breakfast sets the tone

Prioritize: Set one main goal for the day

Unplug: 10-minute digital detox break

Our Own Valke Rugby Girls!

These dedicated girls showed their love for rugby and participated in the National Girls Rugby tryouts for the Valke team. Hundreds of girls were at the tryouts and five of our girls actually made it onto the team. These girls are amazing!
You make Affies proud!



Dimpho Dineo Dibate

U/18 Girls Valke team. No. 3 Prop. Also the only U/18 girl from Affies to be chosen.



Bokamoso Tjeba

U/16 Valke Girls team. No. 11 Wing



Busisiwe Ngwenyeni

U/16 Valke Girls team. No.3 Prop.



Rethabile Tsotetsi

U/16 Valke Girls team. No. 2 Hook.



Achume Mazongolo

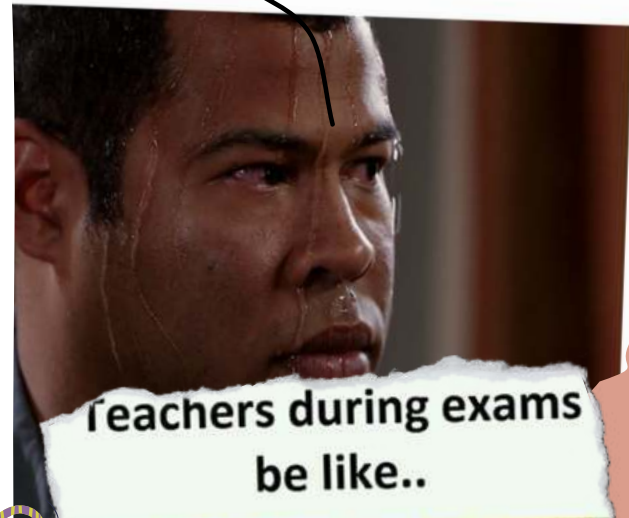
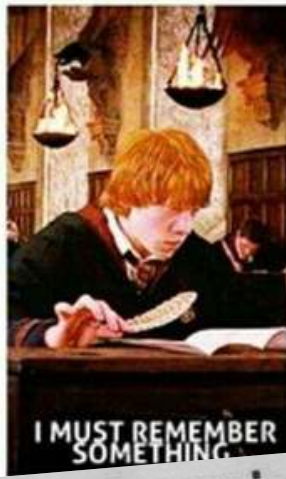
U/16 Valke Girls team. No. 15 Fullback

Exams be like...



Watching your students take a standardized exam.

Three types of people in exams

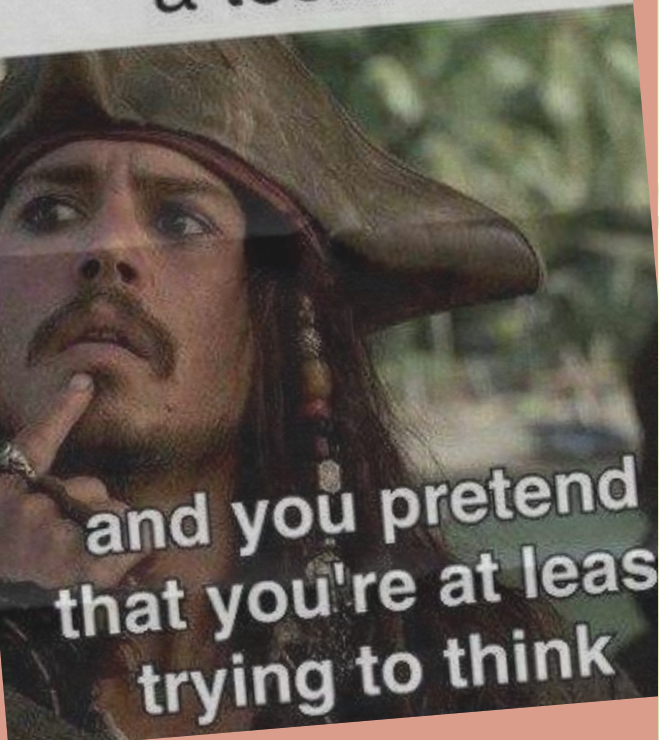


When the teacher is watching you during a test..



My Attitude in Exams

They give me Questions I don't know. I give them Answers they don't know.

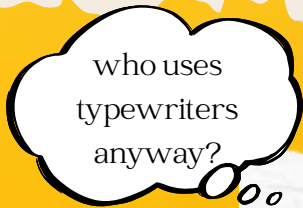




EXAM! FAIL

Vraag: Beskryf die rol van Geografie in die verstaan van aardbewings.

Antwoord: Natuurlike aardbewings is tektoniese aardbewings gebeur op enige plek in die wereld waar daar genoegsame elastiese vervormingsenergie opgegaar is om fraktuur-voortplanting langs verskuiwingslyne af te dryf.

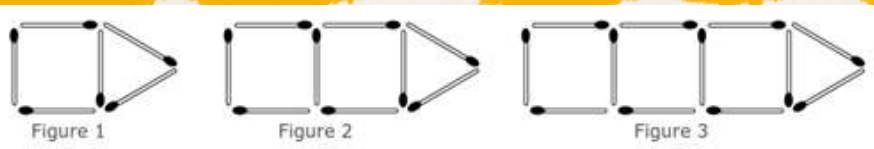


Question: What is a public sculpture?

Answer: Mona Lisa, because she is so pretty.

Question: What is typecasting?

Answer: It is a play performed by typewriters



Question: Describe the pattern formed by the matchsticks in words

Answer:

Figure 1: A fallen house

Figure 2: A bigger falling house

Figure 3: It looks like a train



CON SPIRITO




Our very talented Affies learners participated in the Con Spirito Art Festival in July-August and achieved very good results. Our school had 24 learners participating, 22 went on to the national round, and 13 learners were adjudicated item winners in their specific category, out of all participants in the entire country.



VOCALS

Affies Show Choir: 94% in provincial round and winner of category. 95% in the National round. Winner in the choir category in the entire country.

Zareth Sedio: 96% in the open category, 89% in pop music and 92% in a duet with Busi Shabangu. Received 93% in the National Round for open.

Busi Shabangu: 94% for Broadway, and 92% for open in the provincial round. 97% in open and 96% in open in the National Round. Came first in the entire country for both categories.

Tshepang Leotlela: 92% in open for the provincial round and 95% for the National Round. Came first in the entire country.

Nolwazi Mekhoe: 89% for open in the provincial round.

DRAMA

Suzie Visser: 89% in the provincial round for Afrikaans undramatized poem.

Dimpho Gontse: 92% for Unprepared Storytelling, 96% for Dramatised Monologue, 91% for Dramatised Prose, 91% for Undramatised Poetry in the provincial round. 98% in Dramatised Prose, 98% in Unprepared Storytelling, 97% in Dramatised Monologue for the National Round. Came first in the entire country in all 3 categories.

CREATIVE WRITING

Bokamoso Tjeba: 90% in English Essay, 95% in English Poetry for the provincial round. 88% in English Poetry in the National Round.

Lihle Poswayo: 89% in English Essay for the Provincial round.

Palesa Mofokeng: 89% for English Poetry, 97% for English Essay in the provincial round. 98% for English Essay in the National Round. Came first in the entire country for English Essay.

Bokamoso Mmoyane: 92% for English Essay in provincial round. 93% in the National Round.

Bokamoso Mafale: 98% for English Poetry in provincial round. 97% for English Poetry in the National Round. Came first in the entire country.

Tihonolofatso Moloi: 85% English Essay in the provincial round.

Lihle Mpembe: 93% for English Essay provincial round. 92% in the National Round.

Hlomplo Mlotshwa: 82% for English Essay provincial round.

THE BIG 5 PERSONALITY

Personality traits are relatively enduring across an individual's lifespan.

PENNESS TO EXPERIENCE

Imagination, curiosity, the enjoyment of abstract thinking and ideas, and attunement towards personal emotions.

ONSCIENTIOUSNESS

Behaviours associated with: competence, order, dutifulness, attitude towards achievement, self-discipline and planning.

XTRAVERSION

A measure of sociability and outgoingness. Associated with warmth, gregariousness, assertiveness, energy, excitement-seeking and positive emotions.

GREEABLENESS

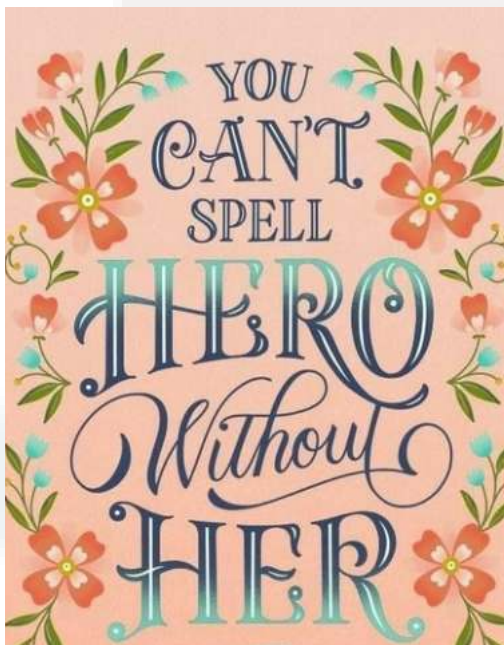
Attitudes about the goodness and trustworthiness of others, and ability to empathise with others.

EUROTICISM

Tendency for emotional instability, measured by the facets of anxiety, angry hostility, depression, self-consciousness, impulsivity and vulnerability.

WOMEN'S DAY

9 AUGUST



The women of the Affies staff were spoiled with gifts and a meal sponsored by Rocomama's.



On this Women's Day, we celebrate the strength, resilience, and brilliance of women everywhere. From trailblazers in every field to everyday heroes in our lives, women inspire us with their courage, creativity, and compassion.

Let's honor those who've fought for equality, those who uplift others, and those who dream big and make those dreams a reality.

May we recognize the diverse stories and experiences of women across cultures, and commit to supporting each other in the journey toward a more equitable world.

To the mothers, daughters, sisters, and friends—your contributions are invaluable. Today, we celebrate you and the boundless potential you bring to our communities and the world. Here's to lifting each other up, breaking barriers, and creating a future where every woman can thrive. Happ



DAGGA IS GAGGA!

Mrs. Ratshikhopa visited the staff on 22 August to speak about drug use amongst the youth in our community.



“EVERYBODY DOES IT”



Since the recreational use of cannabis became legal in South Africa in 2018, it became a trend to ‘smoke a joint’ with friends at any social event, especially among South African youth.

But what the youth does not understand, is the consequences of underage substance use.

It is illegal in South Africa for anyone under the age of 18 to use or be in possession of marijuana.

Any adult supplying a minor with marijuana in any shape or form, can be immediately be prosecuted and sentenced to prison.

You can read the entire Act No. 07 of 2024: Cannabis for Private Purposes Act, 2024 here:

https://www.parliament.gov.za/storage/app/media/Acts/2024/Act_7_of_2024_Cannabis_for_Private_Purposes_Act.pdf

What happens at Affies if you test positive?

You immediately get 50 debits, and 5 Fridays detention. Your parents are called, you have to face the disciplinary committee and you are referred to SANCA (SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG DEPENDENCE) for rehabilitation. You also need to test “clean” before every examination .

The moral of the story: don’t do it. Smoking at school is a crime as stated by the president of the Country. Smoking at home and posting it on social media, 75 debits for affecting school image on top of the usual procedure.

At Affies we try to protect our kids, but what’s the use if they don’t want to protect themselves?

Protection of child

- 3. (1) In all matters regarding a child, the best interest of the child must prevail in the legal response where the child is suspected or alleged to have contravened any legislation relating to the—
 - (a) use or possession of cannabis, the child must be dealt with in terms of—
 - (i) the Children’s Act, 2005 (Act No. 38 of 2005);
 - (ii) the Prevention of and Treatment from Substance Abuse Act, 2008 (Act No. 70 of 2008); or
 - (iii) any other relevant legislation; or
 - (b) dealing in cannabis, the child must be dealt with in terms of the—
 - (i) legislation referred to in paragraph (a); or
 - (ii) Child Justice Act, 2008 (Act No. 75 of 2008).
- (2) (a) No adult person may knowingly—
 - (i) permit a child to use or possess cannabis; or
 - (ii) supply a child with cannabis or a product containing cannabis.
- (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a responsible adult may administer cannabis to a child, with or without consent or knowledge of the child, if prescribed by a medical practitioner.
- (3) An adult person who is in possession of cannabis must take reasonable measures to ensure that such cannabis is inaccessible to a child whether that child is under the authority, supervision or care of that adult person or not.
- (4) No person may engage a child to deal in cannabis.

Section 3 under the Act No. 07 of 2024: Cannabis for Private Purposes Act, 2024

TIPS STUDYING AT HOME



Set a schedule

Create a study schedule that works for you and stick to it. Make sure you include breaks and time for other activities.

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Create a study space

Set up a quiet and comfortable study space that is free from distractions.



Minimize distractions

Turn off your phone, close your social media tabs, and minimize any other distractions that might take your attention away from your studies.

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4

Stay organized

Keep all your study materials organized and easily accessible.



Take breaks

Taking breaks is important to avoid burnout and stay focused. Take a short break every hour or so to recharge.

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Stay hydrated

Drinking plenty of water can help you stay alert and focused.



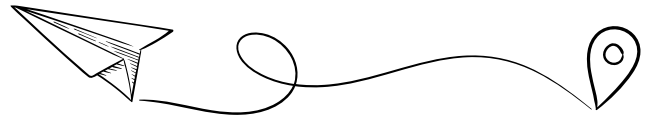
Reward yourself

Celebrate your successes and accomplishments with small rewards to keep yourself motivated.

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DREAMS UNFULFILLED

by: Bokamoso Beane Tjeba

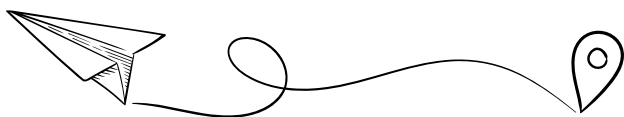


I never thought I would be chasing
something that's out of reach.
By hearing messages I cannot teach.
And seeing things that only the brave eyes could see.

Later to feel like a fiend.
Chasing something i cannot see.
But vivid clips played in my mind.
Over and over again.

I would zone out.
A process whereby i depart from this reality.
And in curiosity,
I chased something that almost took a part of me.

A never ending marathon.
Was the death of me.
So i snapped back to reality.
Only to realise that i was chasing my dreams.





The last cup of coffee as the head girl and head boy of 2024, shared with the principal and SGB Chairman.

Mr Kleynhans took a break from ruling the halls to share a cup of joe and a nice meal with the Head girl and Head boy along with the Chairperson of the SGB Mr Thabo Matima.

Dankie aan Mnr Dawie en Mnr Matima wat herinneringe en soveel wysheid met ons gedeel het, ons sou nie die Leiers kon wees wat ons is sonder julle nie

We got to know each other on a more informal level. We laughed over steaming cups and clattering plates, we chatted about everything from school to personal interests and hobbies

You made us comfortable and at ease and we enjoyed every moment, we hope that this little but impactful tradition can carry on at Affies

The principal and Mr Matima shared inspiring stories from their own lives and experiences, we dished out laughs and insights on what makes our school the best and how they taught us so much!

Much Love
Marochalle and Lesetja



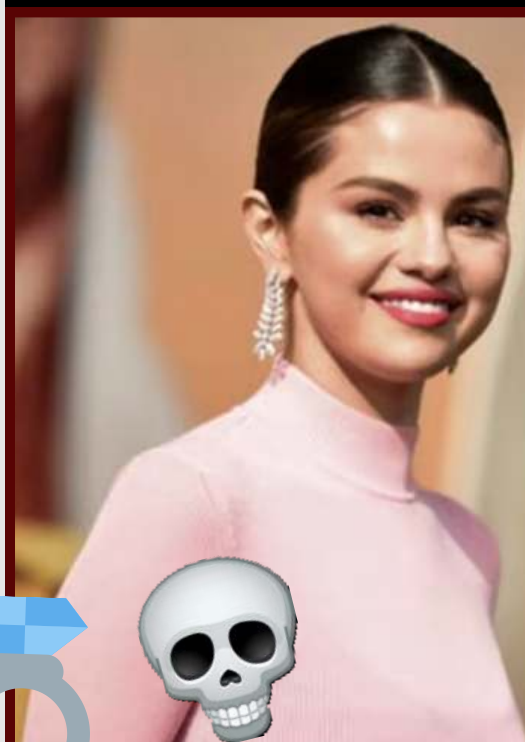
QUICK TIP

Focus on high-priority tasks first, creating a to-do list and tackling the most important items early in the day.

@REALLYGREATSITE

HAPPY
Father's Day

**GOD TOOK THE STRENGTH OF A MOUNTAIN,
THE MAJESTY OF A TREE,
THE WARMTH OF A SUMMER SUN,
THE CALM OF A QUIET SEA,
THE GENEROUS SOUL OF NATURE,
THE COMFORTING ARM OF NIGHT,
THE WISDOM OF THE AGES,
THE POWER OF THE EAGLES FLIGHT,
THE JOY OF A MORNING IN SPRING,
THE FAITH OF A MUSTARD SEED,
THE PATIENCE OF ETERNITY,
THE DEPTH OF A FAMILY NEED,
THEN GOD COMBINED THESE QUALITIES,
AND THEN THERE WAS NOTHING MORE TO ADD,
HE KNEW HIS MASTERPIECE WAS COMPLETE,
AND SO, HE CALLED IT—DAD.**



What's Your Snowman Name?

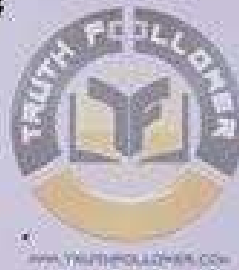
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Your First Initial

A - Jingle
B - Merry
C - Bells
D - Tinkle
E - Angel
F - Twinkle
G - Rosie
H - Holly
I - Berry
J - Festive

K - Candy
L - Magic
M - Sparkle
N - Sugarplum
O - Joy
P - Tinsel
Q - Robin
R - Cookie

S - Hope
T - Sweetie
U - Teddy
V - Jolly
W - Cosy
X - Sherry
Y - Eve
Z - Pinky



Your Birth Month

January - McSnowy
March - McSlushy
May - McChilly
July - McListen
September - McSparkle
November - McFrosty

February - McFreeze
April - McSnowballs
June - McCicles
August - McBlizzard
October - McSparkles
December - McSnowflake



CHOCOLATE CARAMEL SELF-SAUCING PUDDING

Keep yourself warm with some super-sweet chocolate dessert!

Ingredients (9)

- 1 cup (150g) self-raising flour
- 1 1/2 cups (330g) caster sugar
- 3/4 cup (75g) cocoa powder
- 60g unsalted butter, melted, cooled
- 1/2 cup (125ml) milk
- 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 egg
- 200g soft-centred Werther's Original lollies, roughly chopped
- Vanilla ice cream, to serve



Method

1. Preheat oven to 160°C. Grease a 6-cup (1.5L) capacity ovenproof baking dish.
2. Sift flour, 1/2 cup (110g) sugar and 1/4 cup (25g) cocoa into a bowl and stir to combine. Make a well in the centre. In a separate bowl, whisk together melted butter, milk, vanilla and egg. Gradually pour milk mixture into flour mixture and fold to combine.
3. Scatter Werther's over the base of the prepared dish, then pour over the pudding mixture, spreading evenly. Combine remaining 1 cup (220g) sugar and 1/2 cup (50g) cocoa and sprinkle over the pudding, then carefully pour 1 1/2 cups (375ml) boiling water over the top.
4. Bake for 50-55 minutes until the top is just firm. Stand for 10 minutes to cool slightly, then scoop vanilla ice cream on top to serve.

**Creamy Homemade Hot Chocolate. A combination of cocoa powder and chocolate chips make this hot chocolate extra flavorful and delicious!
Ready in minutes.**



HOMEMADE HOT CHOCOLATE

Recipe Link: <https://celebratingsweets.com/homemade-hot-chocolate/>



- Place the milk of your choice in a saucepan over medium-low heat. Using milk instead of water, makes this hot chocolate extra creamy and flavorful. I prefer whole milk or 2% milk, but you can choose any milk that you choose (I've even used unsweetened almond milk).
- Whisk in cocoa powder and sugar, and heat until warm.
- Once the milk is warm, add chocolate chips, whisking until they melt into the milk
- Add a splash of vanilla extract.
- Serve immediately, topped with your favorite garnishes: marshmallows, whipped cream, chopped chocolate, crushed candy canes or more.

HELLO Spring

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Career Dressup Day

In honor of Spring Day, the Affies could dress up up as someone from their dream career. There were a lot of interesting careers.

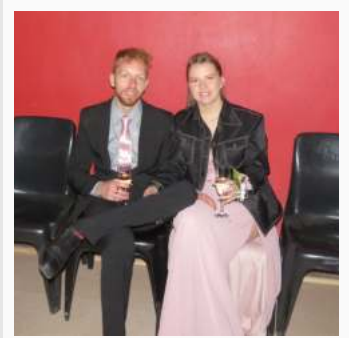
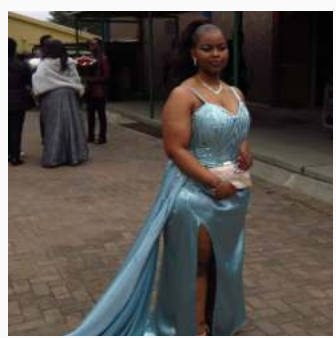
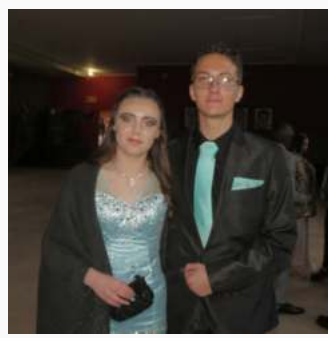
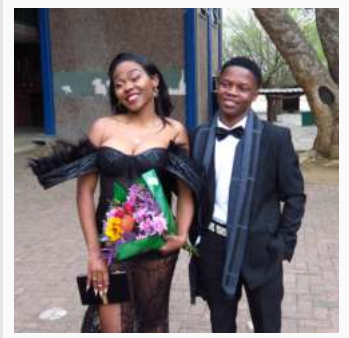
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AFFIES ANIME FAIR

The Affies Anime FAir was bigger and better than last year. With over 100 people attending, it was definitely a rough night, in the best way possible. Linn-Mari Knoetze got first place in the drawing competition, with Ian Collett and KC Kotze coming in second and third. The lucky draw winners were Seth Muller and Gau Khoza.

Matric Farewell





5 OCT

HAPPY
TEACHER'S
DAY



In honor of Teacher's Day on the 5th of October, who they think are most likely to...

- **Miss vd Vyver:** Most likely to marry a celebrity.
- **Mrs Chabangu:** Most likely to be late.
- **Mr Botha:** Most likely to drop their phone.
- **Mr Potgieter:** Most likely to buy a lottery ticket.
- **Miss Vorster:** Most likely to borrow a pen and not return it.
- **Mrs de Klerk:** Most likely to have multiple browser tabs open.
- **Mr Kadi:** Most likely to go viral.
- **Mrs Franck:** Most likely to get lost on a road trip.
- **Mrs Greyling:** Most likely to stay up all night.
- **Mr Mutale:** Most likely to cancel plans to take a nap.
- **Mrs Malherbe:** Most likely to quit their job and travel the world?
- **Mrs Human:** Most likely to have a messy room.
- **Mrs Tintinger:** Most likely to order takeout instead of eating leftovers.
- **Mrs Coetzee:** Most likely to Uber a short distance instead of walking.
- **Mrs van Niekerk:** Most likely to sing karaoke in front of strangers.
- **Miss Dreyer:** Most likely to max out their credit card.
- **Miss Keulder:** Most likely to keep a diary.
- **Mrs Crawford:** Most likely to still sleep with your childhood teddy bear.
- **Miss de Waal:** Most likely to text back immediately.
- **Mr Crawford:** Most likely to become a comedian.
- **Mrs Lindner:** Most likely to bake you a birthday cake.
- **Mrs van Greunen:** Most likely to own a farm.
- **Mr Mohasa:** Most likely to become president?
- **Mr Poolman:** Most likely to solve a major global problem
- **Miss Oberholzer:** Most likely to throw a surprise party.
- **Miss Smit:** Most likely to be the first one to arrive at the party
- **Miss Kleynhans:** Most likely to take a week to respond to a text.
- **Mr Kleynhans:** Most likely to have the most unread emails.
- **Miss Deale:** Most likely to spill their morning coffee.
- **Mrs Rosslee:** Most likely to stay calm in an emergency.
- **Mrs Thiart:** Most likely to remember your birthday.
- **Miss Mtambo:** Most likely to win a survival reality show.
- **Miss de Villiers:** Most likely to buy a designer purse.
- **Mrs Ries:** Most likely to befriend a wild animal.
- **Mr Labuschagne:** Most likely to play video games all night.

**TEACH
LOVE
INSPIRE**

CAN YOU RECOGNIZE THESE TEACHERS AS TEENS?



'CAUSE I'M JUST A
**TEENAGE
DIRTBAG**
BABY

