

African Christmas - by Dragonsong

Gently I rise
As the barbet sings her song
The sun is shining way up high
And the dark of night is gone

The angel on the Christmas tree Catches the first rays of light, And glistens in the morning mist As the butterflies take flight

Africa has risen
To another summers day
That holds memories of so long ago
For Christ was born this day...

The scent of fresh baked mince pies Drift in from mom's domain, The bustle in the kitchen means Our family's home again!

The scent of strong black coffee Wafts up from beneath the tree Where granddad is awaiting Little people on his knee...

The gifts are brightly colored In hues of gold and red Delightful parcels all around Cards waiting to be read...

The sound of "Merry Christmas..", Drifts all around this day, Music on the radio, The same songs always play....

"...White Christmas" makes me giggle as the sun rays dance about, The whitest clouds drift lazily Where the children play and shout.

Africa in summer pride The golden sun aloft White frosting on the Christmas cake The impact now is lost!

Wishing you all a peaceful, safe holiday and a Blessed Christmas.

God Bless.



YEAR END FESTIVITIES

This past week, the juniors have been busy with a mini Round Square Conference. It is an initiative that is based on the principles and structures of a full conference. It expands over a three-day period and is an important part of our Round Square component.

After the RS Conference, the Grade 8s hosted the annual Christmas party event for students from Glenshiel Primary School. Isabella Dando wrote the following:

The Glenshiel Christmas party is a yearly function that takes place at the end of the year and is hosted by the Grade 8s. I was very excited as this is something that these kids look forward to the whole year. There is a lot to plan for because not only do we need to provide food, drinks, entertainment and gifts for our guests, but there are 121 kids and 17 teachers from Glenshiel arriving that day. I'm not going to lie, our planning went wrong every time we had a meeting. We couldn't agree on anything and would argue for endless hours about small things. But the day had finally come, and we were ready.

We began setting up with one goal in mind; the kids needed to have fun. When they arrived we warmly welcomed their nervous smiling faces and Thapelo and Nsovo hyped them up with an exciting dance performance. They were entertained by various games like musical chairs, tug of war and sack races to name a few. Cooked by the ultimate braaier, Abby, we ate delicious boerewors rolls and moist chocolate cake baked by Pippa. The kids were then handed party packs by Father Christmas (aka Mr Moshia) and left with memories they'd never forget. Thank you Ms Bredenhann for helping us organise and host such a memorable party.

A huge congratulations to the Grade 8 pupils for organising such a wonderful event!









FAREWELL AND GOOD LUCK

It is great sadness that we say goodbye to a number of wonderful staff at the end of the year. We wish them all the best of luck with their next chapters.



Mrs B. Harman **HOD Mathematics** Year started at SLC: 2000 Next adventure: Retirement!



Mr A. Bennett **Director of Hockey** Year started at SLC: 2018 Next adventure: Expanding his career in hockey



Mrs A. Taylor-Bennett **HOD English** Year started at SLC: 2015 Next adventure: St Mary's Kloof



Mrs S-M. Ceronio **Maths Teacher** Year started at SLC: 2018 Next adventure: Clifton, KZN

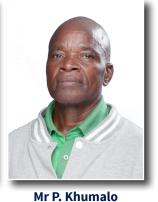
SPACE

FACE

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Mrs N. van Heerden **Admissions Officer &** Assistant Marketer Year started at SLC: 2019 Next adventure: **Expanding farming** practices on family farm



School Driver Year started at SLC: 2002 Next adventure: Retirement!

STAY ALERT

SAVE LIVES

Stay safe this festive season **CONTROL THE VIRUS**

YEAR END FESTIVITIES... continued

We would like to extend a huge thank you to all the parents who donated items and bought ALLXS vouchers for the Christmas parcels for the support staff. As a school, we cannot function without the hard work and dedication of the kitchen, grounds, security and cleaning staff. It was lovely to be able to give them Christmas hampers to end off the year.





STATIONERY LISTS FOR 2022

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Please be advised that the stationery lists for 2022 are available on our website. To make your life easier, both Waltons and Think Ink offer packaging opportunities that will be delivered to the school in January. You can contact either company, let them know the grade your child will be in next year, they'll package the stationery and ensure it is ready for your child at school on the first day of 2022. Both companies offer a hassle free, efficient service!



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