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Dear Parents

The annual splendour of autumn colours around our fountain aptly announced the start of our celebratory birthday month at Eunice.

In keeping with our mission to offer multiple opportunities for all-round development at Eunice, the school birthday celebrations (referred to below) also highlighted the positive impact that sisterhood, joint celebration, vision and hope have on future dreams.

Our annual birthday celebrations play a significant role in our commitment to produce outstanding school leavers. We listen to messages from old girls, celebrate current victories and dream about the future – all of which allow us to merge a significant past with a bright future, to ensure a life-long love of learning.

May you take pride in your daughter's ability to be

innovative, analytical and confident in her expression of views and her adaptation to changing circumstances, as she rises above challenges and develops into a woman of note; and may our partnership be a well-anchored guiding force, directing her on her way to success.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Zinnette de Wet

143rd Birthday

One might argue that it is no special milestone, but the birthday celebrations on 3 and 4 May were indeed memorable: 1800 Eunice ladies gathered on the school's hockey fields to participate in a once-in-a-lifetime flash mob. They stood in a "Eunice 143" formation to welcome Mrs De Wet as she landed after an exhilarating, maiden parachute jump. We never anticipated the extent of the excitement when the school's cheerleaders suggested that Mrs De Wet perform a tandem jump to

celebrate Eunice's Spirit Cup victory at the Inter-High Gala in February 2018.

The following morning we were welcomed to Eunice's formal birthday Assembly by the Marimba Ensemble, a Eunice Speech Choir, the Vitae Cantamus and Junior Choir, and the String Quartet. The occasion was rendered even more special by 1998 matriculants, Tracey Chemaly and Elsje Neethling, who paid tribute to Eunice for the ways in which her sisterhood has enriched their lives.

The special moment was sealed when 12 sisters from 3 Eunice families assisted Mrs Zinnette De Wet and Mrs Cindy Harris (Eunice Primary School Principal) to light the birthday candles, whilst Eunice Reunie representatives sang the birthday song.

Yesterday's, today's and tomorrow's hopes and dreams for our school were exemplified when Hanna (Gr 1), Salome (Gr 2), , Nqubile (Gr 3),



Awande (Gr 5), Cantlin and Courtney (Gr 7), Helen and Alyssa (Gr 10) and Thabile, Montsikelelo, Emma and Jade (Gr 12), joined Old Girls and current Headmistresses to wish Eunice well with this special gesture.

“May she grow and prosper, from year to changing year.”

Exam Arrangements

Our ladies find themselves in the final phase of preparations for the upcoming exam that will start on 28 May for Gr 10 – 12 learners, and on 6 June for Gr 8-9 learners.

- 5 June 2018: Grade 9s will dismiss at 13:00 after writing the 2018 Aptitude Tests;

- 5 June 2018: Gr 8s will dismiss at 11:30 after an English workshop before they write English on the 6th.

- 28 May – 22 June 2018: Study Venue times are 8:00 – 13:00 daily.

Please assist the school in making specific transport arrangements for the duration of the exam. In light of limited extra-mural activities during the exam period, staying at school in the afternoons is not conducive to learning, unless specific revision classes are attended.

Please note that schools only close on 22 June 2018 and that no requests for catch-up papers based on family convenience will be granted.

Winter Uniform

Our ladies unpacked their winter uniforms and tracksuits a while ago. Learners are allowed to wear tracksuits to school, but do not necessarily have more than one set available. Please heed our kind request to assist your daughter in maintaining her personal hygiene. All school uniforms – especially tracksuit pants – must please be presentable at all times.

2019 Applications

Friends and family often debate the value of All-Girls Education. The following points form part of global research done by the National Coalition of Girls' Schools on the value of single-sex education. These points reiterate the benefits which our ladies gain from Eunice's educational environment of high expectation.

- Eunice ladies take centre stage in an all-girls learning environment and frequently develop higher-order thinking skills.

- Eunice creates a culture of achievement.

- Our learners occupy every role in the Eunice learning environment and display greater self-confidence than their co-ed peers.

- Eunice's learning environment empowers our ladies to become bold leaders.

- Eunice champions the specific educational needs of our ladies and capitalises on unique learning styles.

- Eunice ladies strive for greatness and are supported by the whole community.

- Eunice provides a space where learners feel safe to express themselves and engage in conversation. They are free to find and use their voices.

Please remind families to keep in mind that Eunice attracts hundreds of applications from far and wide, and that we can only accept a small percentage of applications received. Please also note that we do not accept boarders from the Bloemfontein/Mangaung area for this very reason. For applications to be considered, it is imperative that they are completed in full and submitted timeously.

Prospective learners can download application forms at www.eunice.co.za. Applications close on 31 August 2018.





Results

The u/16A hockey team won the 2018 Menlopark Tournament with Mickayla Woityczka, Clarice Solomon, Kayla Swarts, Jay-Dene Duimpies, Amy Greyvenstein and Lyneel Greyvenstein being offered the opportunity to play in a Tournament Invitational Team that will play in Holland during the September holidays.

Tiholo Jabari was recognised as the u/19B Girls Best Forward at the Elsie Coetzer Hockey Coaching Tournament, where the Colts came 1st in the u/19B pool. Amber Marais was recognised as the u/19B Girls Best Midfielder and Best Player, whilst Gabi Olin was recognised as the u/19B Girls Best Defender at the tournament.

Tiholo Jabari, Amber Marais, Gabi Olin, Marki Venter and Wilna Lombard were offered the opportunity to play in a Tournament Invitational Team that will play in the Netherlands during the September Holidays.

The u/18A Hockey team came 7th in the St Mary's Hockey Tournament and 6th at the All Girls Tournament.

The following hockey players have been selected for Southern Free State teams: Gabrielle Olin, Amber Marais, Tiholo Jabari, Yonique Josephus, Chemelda Ontong, Michelle Dykman, Melindi Reinecke, Chrizanne Louw, Natasha Slater, Shandi Drude, Adle Coetzee, Taryn Saunderson, Lienke Lombard, Kayla Swarts, Clarice Solomon,

Helen Rauch, Lael Malherbe, Daniké Mulder, Amy Greyvenstein, Alethea Myburgh, Mbali Mtikulu, Lourize Du Toit, Kim Joubert, Lyneel Greyvenstein, Teresa Zietsman, Megan Harris, Mickayla Woityczka, Nadine Oosthuizen, Chrismari Alexander, Selogilwe Orefemetse, Rethabile Letuka, Pulane Mohale, Calista Dunn, Alexis de Gouveia, Cara Katzke, Kayleigh Geel and Chrismari Venter. Michelle Dykman was selected for the Free State Ladies team that competed in Durban from the 25th of April to the 1st of May 2018.

The u/18A Netball team came 5th in the St Andrew's Netball Tournament, where Madelie Roux was nominated as the All-Star player of the tournament. They also came 4th out of 18 schools at the All Girls Tournament.

The following netball players have been selected for Free State teams: U/17: Karabo Peter; U/16: Ané Meyer and Madelie Roux; U/15: Neo Mogodi and U/14 : Emre Lucas.

The 1st Squash team came first at the St Stithians Squash Festival and 3rd out of 8 schools at the All Girls Festival.

The Eunice Chess Team came 1st out of 10 schools and the Tennis team came 5th out of 16 All Girls schools.

Luchelle Oosthuizen came 2nd in the 200m Fly at the SA Swimming Championships

Gabbi Venter came 5th out of all the boys and girls who took part in the u/15 Interprovincial Golf

Tournament and was chosen for the Free State Golf Team.

Alida van der Merwe completed the World u/19 Pentathlon (Tetrathlon) competition in Portugal and became the first South African ever to qualify for the finals after the qualifying rounds in this event. She came 33rd out of 98 competitors. Alida has also been selected to represent South Africa in the Junior and Cadet Commonwealth Championships to be held in England in July. She will be fencing in the Cadet (Under 17) Epee event.

Thato Mogamisi, Nannique Steyn and Naseerah Hasson were recognised as best speakers during the SACEE Debating League rounds. Our 2018 All Girls Debating Team came 6th out of 18 schools.

The following results were obtained by our learners at the JF Public Speaking Competition: Giusi Cirelli (A+); Megan Enslin (B+); Naledi Sefantsi (A); Kristen Robinson (B+). Sylke van Vreede came 3rd in the All Girls Senior Public Speaking Competition.

The following ladies made it through to the Free State Final of the ATKV Redenaars Competition: Katelyn van der Merwe, Sunica

Bruwer, Charleen Fourie, Landie Botha and Charné Weyers.

The following learners achieved certificates in the National Bio-Science Olympiad: Zeenat Hoosen – silver; Tazneen van der Merwe – bronze; Leandra Bergg – bronze and Liza Reblin – bronze.

World Book Day created much excitement amongst the girls. The winners for the day were: Lauren Packwood (Gr 12); Katlego Thlapuletsa (Gr 11); Timika Buthuram (Gr 10); Hannah Lombard (Gr 9) and Nielsje Erasmus (Gr 8).

Mpoetsi Mohloki, Winsome Mabuza and Hlengi Mazibuko came 3rd in the Annual Regional Aqualibrium Competition.

Helaina du Toit won the trophy for the most promising High School Art Learner at the Bloemfontein Show.

The 2018 Eisteddfod results are as follows: Junior Marimbas (A+); Senior Marimbas (A+); Eunice String Ensemble (A+); Junior Choir (A+) and Vitae Cantamus Choir (A++).

St Michaels Drama Festival Solo Dance results: Sumé Wille (A++); Jacolette Wessels (A+). Jacolette Wessels, Tlogonolo Seitshiro, Helen van der Westhuizen and Sumé Wille

achieved an A++ for their Group Dance. Tamsyn Alexander achieved an A+++ for her Dramatized Prose and A+++ for her Monologue.

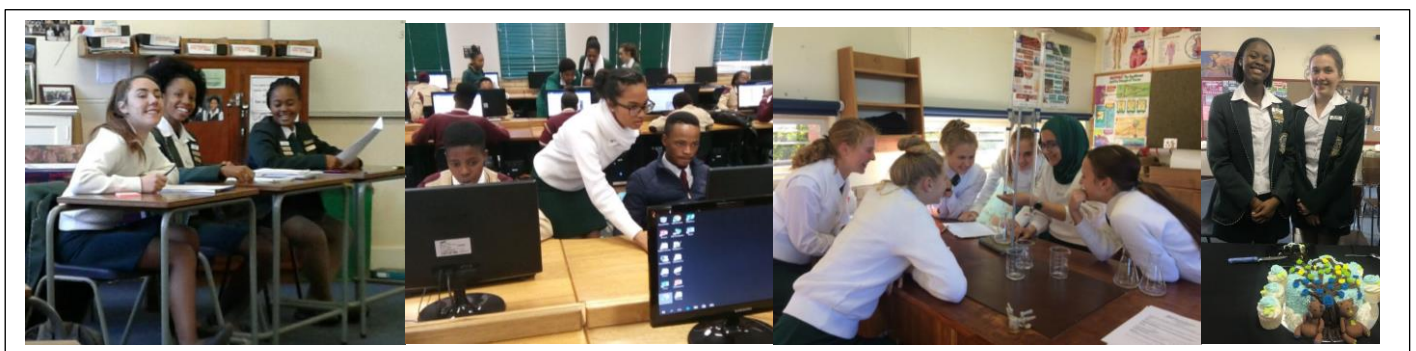
Elizabeth Pretorius, Lerato Mohlamme and Layla Fouché made it through to the second round of the 2018 Minquiz Competition. Elizabeth Pretorius was chosen for the Free State Minquiz Team.

Baraka Mutambala and Alanis

Alvarez Aranda were selected to compete in the International Mathematics Contest in Bulgaria in July 2018.

About 700 2L bottles were collected for a project conducted by the Faculty of Health Sciences in the Trompsburg community in order to build greenhouses. The University of the Free State donated prizes to the three learners who donated the most bottles. They were Megan Adendorff (1st with 103 bottles), Jucinta Batista (2nd with 66 bottles) and Taylor Anthony (3rd with 33 bottles).

Learners visited Lesedi Day-Care and donated crayons and colouring-in books to the children. Our ladies also visited Beaudene Day-Care for the Disabled and spent quality time with the learners there.



	MAY	
Wed	23	Day 3; Chess league matches (Grey College); Formal Assessment ends (Gr 10-12); Finance and Investing Olympiad (Round 1)
Th	24	Day 4; Special Grade Assemblies; Netball: Final
Fr	25	Day 5; Poetry Evening; ATKV Redenaars Semi-final (Kroonstad); Africa Day (Library); Tekkie Tax day Civvies Day; Cross Country League (3); Gr 10-12 Accounting and Maths Revision Camp (25-26 May)
Sa	26	Mangaung Open Chess Tournament; Mrs R Wessels' Birthday
Mo	28	Day 6; Deputy (MARM); Grounds duty: HAR, ADA(M), AND(T), RAJ(W), LOM(T), BOTJ(F)
Tue	29	Day 7; Grade 10-12 Exam Commences
Wed	30	Day 8; Mrs S van Dijkhorst's Birthday; Sing in Harmonie Performance (18:30); GBF SGB Training (St Andrew's); Formal Assessment ends (Gr 8 and 9); Grade 8 exam orientation in formal assessment period
Th	31	Day 9; Mrs M Minnie and Mrs J Mundell's Birthdays
	JUNE	
Fr	1	Day 10; ATKV Regional Choir Competition; Cross Country League (4); Gr 8 and 9 Maths Revision Camp (1-2 June)
Mo	4	Day 1; Deputy(REN); Grounds Duty: KOK, BOTC(M), WESR(T), STE(W), SPO(T), BRI(F)
Tue	5	Grade 8 and 9 Exams commence
Fr	8	Eunice Golf day; Mr D vd Merwe and Mrs A Dreyer's Birthdays
Tue	12	SGB Hostel Committee meeting (14:00); SGB Wellness Committee meeting (14:45); SGB Curricular & Extra-Curricular Committee meeting (15:30); SGB Infrastructure Committee meeting (16:15); SGB Branding and Marketing Committee meeting (17:00)
Fr	15	SNR Choir Camp (15-16 June)
Wed	20	Grade 10 Work Experience; Gr 9 Aptitude Testing
Th	21	SGB Finance Committee meeting (16:00); SGB Meeting (17:30)
Fr	22	School closes after exam session
Sa	23	Squash IPT'S 23-27 June (All age groups)
Mo	25	Niel van Niekerk 50th and Ms S Rajah's Birthdays
Tue	26	Mrs D Serfontein's Birthday
	JULY	
Mo	2	Choir Camp in preparation for World Choir Games (2-3 July)
Wed	4	World Choir Games in Pretoria (4 – 8 July)
Tue	10	Mrs S Wesso and Mrs L Smit's Birthdays
Th	12	Mrs M Anderson's Birthdays
Fr	13	Mr T Wiese's Birthday; Support Staff Return
Mo	16	Hostel re-opens (13:00 - 19:00); Finance Office re-opens (10:00-13:00); Regional Hockey Tournament @Eunice (16-20 July); Mrs E Mohokare's Birthday

