



QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER JUNE 2023

INTRODUCTION

We are excited to bring you a roundup of all the latest happenings in our vibrant educational community.

In this newsletter, we will highlight our schools' remarkable sporting successes, engaging student activities, ongoing staff development initiatives, and the enriching hands-on learning experiences that our students have been participating in.

We hope that this newsletter serves as a window into the vibrant life of our school and highlights the achievements and milestones of our students and staff.

APRIL 2023

1965RIDE FOR EDUCATION

Congratulations to Mr Venter on completing the 1965Ride for Education! His dedication and commitment to this cause is truly inspiring. By undertaking this incredible journey, he has made a significant impact on education, empowering countless individuals for a brighter future. His achievement showcases the power of perseverance and passion for making a difference. We trust that his accomplishment continues to inspire others to follow in his footsteps!

QGAP LEARNER COUNCIL TO FOREST WAY

The Learner Council's leadership camp at Forest Way in Stutterheim proved to be a growth experience for the participants. Through team-building activities, workshops, and outdoor challenges, they honed their leadership skills, fostered camaraderie, and gained a deeper understanding of their roles as student leaders in their school community.



MATRIC DANCE

The matric dance was a night of pure enjoyment for the attendees. They danced the night away, basking in the enchanting atmosphere, and created beautiful memories that would be cherished for years to come.



WIDPS

The WIDPS competition in Durban proved to be a transformative experience for our two debaters, fostering positive self-development as they honed their public speaking skills, gained confidence in their abilities, and embraced the challenges of rigorous intellectual discourse.



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Where every child feels worthy and validated.



PAJAMA DAY

Pajama day at QGAP brought immense fun and enjoyment as students, donning their cozy sleepwear, seamlessly blended comfort and academic work. There was a unique atmosphere as students engaged in learning while embracing a relaxed and playful classroom environment.



IEB SCHOOL VISITS

The College staff eagerly embarked on a series of visits to other schools to deepen their understanding of the IEB system and expand their knowledge base. Through these visits, they engaged in meaningful discussions, shared best practices, and forged strong collegial relationships with fellow educators. These interactions proved invaluable, fostering a spirit of collaboration and inspiring them to implement innovative strategies within the College.

22 February – Merrifield College, East London

10 March – Umtata Christian School, Umtata

25 May – Advanced for Life College, East London

26 May – Kingswood College, Makhanda

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

We take great pride in celebrating the accomplishments of our talented athletes. Our schools' sporting teams have been excelling in various disciplines, showcasing exceptional skill, dedication, and sportsmanship. We applaud their hard work and look forward to their continued success.

MAY 2023

QGAP RAINBOW ROCK CONCERT

The Foundation Phase concert, Rainbow Rock, was a splendid showcase of talent and creativity that brought joy and excitement to both staff and students. Through collaborative rehearsals, shared laughter, and the celebration of each other's accomplishments, the concert created a positive and inclusive environment, fostering stronger relationships among the staff and students at school.



SCHOOL	OPPONENT	NETBALL						SOCCER			RUGBY			
		u/9	u/11	u/12	u/13	u/15	u/17	1st	u/11	u/13	1st	u/11	u/13	7's
WGAP	Southbourne Primary School	1-5	5-1		1-18									
	Queen's College Boys' Primary							0-1	2-2					
	Stepping Stone Primary School	7-2	12-10	15-0	13-4			2-1	8-1					
	Christ the King				24-3				6-0					
	QGAP		15-0		8-7			0-2	1-3					
QGAP	Southbourne Primary School	1-7	0-12									12-10	17-25	
	WGAP		0-15		7-8			2-0	3-1					
GAC	Bulelani Secondary School					3-4	2-21							
	Kwa Komani									2-3				
	John Noah High School							8-13						
	Maria Louw High School							3-10						
	Ben Mazwi High School												7-0	
	Maria Louw High School									1-2				



STRANGER DANGER

Sergeant Adams conducted an engaging and informative stranger danger assembly for the Foundation Phase students, equipping them with essential knowledge and skills to stay safe.



RADIO INTERVIEW

Mr Harbottle and Mrs Pieterse were invited to speak about their schools during Vukani Radio's weekly show, *Essence of Biz*. They focussed on the art of running efficient operations in school.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Jacqueline Wijtenburg, QEF director of programmes, fundraising and stakeholder relations, presented a workshop on time management, types of rest and burnout.



EYE SCREENING

SpecSavers visited QGAP to do free eye screening with the Grade 1's. Students identified as requiring further assistance were referred for follow up testing at SpecSavers.

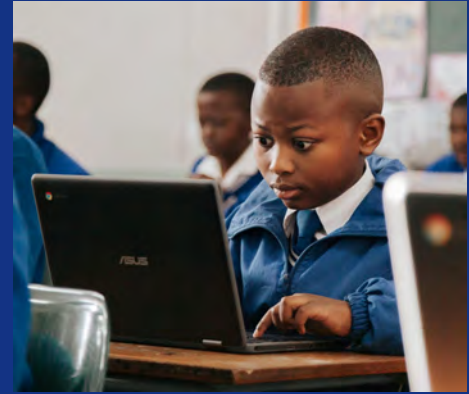


GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION

Grade 12 Geography students went on a field trip to KwaMlungisi informal settlement which was affected by the flooding that took place earlier in the year.

CHROMEBOOKS

The introduction of Chromebooks at QGAP has revolutionized teaching and learning, providing students with a powerful tool for research, collaboration, and creative expression. The accessibility and versatility of these Chromebooks have enhanced our students' engagement and fostered digital literacy skills.



SPORTS KITS

WGAP soccer and netball teams received new sports kits.



MOTHER'S DAY TEA

The Mother's Day tea celebration at WGAP not only fostered a sense of appreciation and love for their mothers but also promoted social and emotional development through the joy of shared experiences.

ASSEMBLIES BY NANGAMSO

Assemblies facilitated by Nangamso Xashimba on time management for our primary school students offered invaluable guidance, equipping them with essential skills to effectively prioritize tasks, develop good organizational habits, and maximize their productivity, setting them on a path towards academic success and personal growth.



EXAMS

As we approach the end of the term, our students are preparing for their exams. We commend their hard work and perseverance as they engage in focused study and revision. Our dedicated staff are providing guidance and support to ensure that our students feel confident and well-prepared to demonstrate their knowledge and skills in their assessments.



Lupapalo Waqu
10 October 1981 - 03 June 2023

OPEN DAY

We are excited to host an engaging open day at our Queenstown schools, providing prospective students and their families with a first-hand experience of our nurturing and enriching educational environment. Through interactive activities, guided tours, and informative sessions, we aim to showcase the unique opportunities and supportive community that await them, encouraging them to join our school family in 2024.

You belong HERE

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QUEENSTOWN GET AHEAD PRIMARY

Where every child feels worthy and valued.

YOU BELONG HERE BECAUSE YOU ARE PART OF A DIVERSE COMMUNITY

Our school embraces students from all backgrounds, cultures, and experiences. Your child will have the opportunity to learn from their peers, broaden their perspectives and build lifelong friendships that transcend differences.

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YOU BELONG HERE BECAUSE OF OUR WIDE RANGE OF OFFERINGS

We provide a diverse range of academic and extra-curricular programmes, allowing your child to explore and develop their passions. From a rigorous academic programme to coding and robotics, sports teams to cultural activities and community services, there's something for every interest. Your child will have the opportunity to pursue their unique path and thrive in an environment that supports their growth.

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YOU BELONG HERE BECAUSE YOU ARE CARED FOR

At QGAP, we prioritize your child's wellbeing - from academic guidance to emotional support, we are here for your child every step of the way.

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YOU BELONG HERE BECAUSE OF OUR COMPETITIVE, ALL-INCLUSIVE FEES

We understand the importance of affordability and providing value for money. We offer all-inclusive, competitive tuition fees, ensuring that your child has access to a quality education. Thanks to our solar energy, teaching and learning continues uninterrupted during power outages.

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YOU BELONG HERE BECAUSE YOU SHAPE YOUR FUTURE

QGAP equips your child with the knowledge, skills, and experiences they need to thrive in the 21st century. With cutting-edge resources, and a supportive learning environment, we empower your child to shape their future and pursue their passions.

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YOU BELONG HERE BECAUSE OF OUR EXCEPTIONAL TEACHERS

Our school boasts a team of qualified, passionate teachers who go above and beyond to ignite a love for learning. With the expertise, dedication, and commitment to your child's success, our teachers will guide your child to reach new heights academically and personally.

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YOU BELONG HERE BECAUSE WE ARE ACCREDITED

QGAP is the only accredited independent primary school in Komaní. We are proud to be accredited by Umalusi, the quality council for General and Further Education and Training, ensuring that our educational standards meet the highest benchmarks. We have received accreditation from the Independent Quality Assurance Agency (IQAA). As a member of the Independent Schools Association of Southern Africa (ISASA), we are affiliated with a reputable network of schools dedicated to providing exceptional education.

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Get Ahead is where you belong!

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CONCLUSION

As we conclude this edition of our school newsletter, we reflect on the remarkable achievements, inspiring stories, and exciting events that have shaped our educational community. With gratitude for the dedication of our students, staff, and parents, we eagerly anticipate the future as we continue to nurture and empower young minds. Stay tuned for more updates and stay connected with our thriving school family by following our social media pages.