



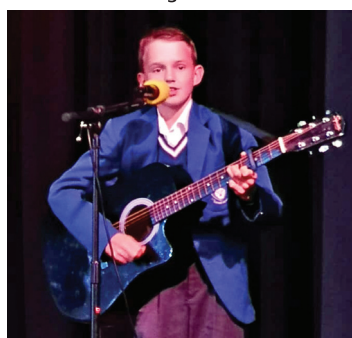
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# NEWSLETTER NUUSBRIEF

## TALENT ON TAP



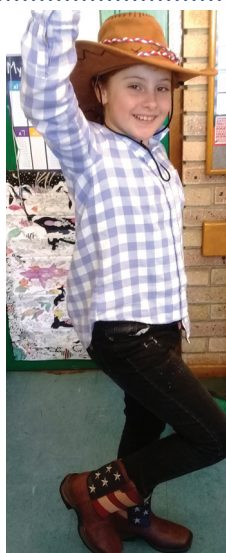
These images show the diversity of our Plett Primary has Talent show held last Wednesday night.



When our U13A hockey girls played in a tournament in George on Friday, it hailed the very last match in their primary school careers. Pictured here, too, are many of the same girls playing in one of their first matches at Plett Primary as tiny Grade 1s. Wow, how time flies?!

## Different cultures explored

The Grade 4s presented wonderful orals on different cultures and their foods, all dressing up most appropriately.



The Grade 5s had to design an elastic-driven car in Technology - here are some of the coolest models.

## Celebrate Casual Day with Die Sterreweg on September 6



These Belgian students are preparing to celebrate Casual Day in Plett this Friday. Says spokesperson Stephanie Reipen: "On September 6, we celebrate Casual Day with Die Sterreweg day-care centre for kids with special needs in New Horizons. Just like last year, this exceptional day will be organised by Die Sterreweg staff and 15 students of the multidisciplinary team of Artevelde University College of Ghent. Our aim is to make Die Sterreweg a centre of excellence and a prime example of good practice for other organisations in the region." She adds that festivities will start at 10am and will take place at The White House on Crescent Street in Plett CBD. "And at 12 noon, Belgian pancakes will be served. We hope to see you then!" Email [stephreipen@gmail.com](mailto:stephreipen@gmail.com) additional information.

## Dictate your own future once you've mastered the English tongue

**B**ORN in Africa (BIA) believes education is a fundamental right of every child. Language proficiency is an important component in children's self-confidence and helps them to succeed in life.

Says BIA educational coordinator Veronique Claes: "It being a universal language, we encourage our children to practise English daily. To further assist their mastery of the language, we decided that this year's educational competition should focus on the correct spelling of English words, in the form of a dictation competition."

Volunteers and mentors joined forces to prepare all Born in Africa students from five different primary schools, organising after-school classes and coming up with fun ways to practise their spelling and listening skills.

Mentors then chose the two top-performing learners in each grade - the fortunate ones who were invited to finals held at the BIA education centre in Kranshoek on Tuesday August 20.

After completing a 'fill in the blanks' dictation test, the three highest-scoring learners from Grade 3 to 7 were announced.

"It was amazing to see all schools well represented in the final round," enthuses Veronique - "Kranshoek, Harkerville, The Craggs, Wittedrift High and Primary learners all battled it out to show who could spell the best, and the winners from different grades turned out to be from different schools, too."

The top performers were awarded with bicycles and certificates of excellence, but nobody left empty-handed, as all contestants

received certificates of attendance and cool prizes.

The Born in Africa team expressed their gratitude for the support of Mrs Koeberg - a Grade 1 teacher at The Craggs Primary and BIA board member - who served as Master of Ceremonies, as well as Harkerville Grade 2 teacher Ms Myburgh, board member Janet Harding,

and BIA tertiary student Tarric Davids for adjudicating the competition.

"Together with our staff and volunteers Robbin and Amber, it turned out to be an amazing day. Every participant went home a winner and we thank everyone who made this special event possible, proving that together we can make a difference indeed."



**TOP OF THE SPELL POPS:** Educational coordinator Veronique Claes, left, and BIA director Isabelle Brink with the top three Grade 3s - from left are Desmay Williams, Lameez Alexander, and Renette Titus with the bicycle scored as first-prize winner



**PROUD TO MAKE THE CUT:** Awesome MC Mrs Koeberg with Grade 7 contestants Meshay Jacobs and Ashante Tarentaal from Harkerville, and Wittedrift student Obuhle Madolo



**REWARDED:** Isabelle and Veronique with all participating Grade 4 contestants showing off their certificates and prizes