



EBENEZER

26 September 2014

The Vision of Rhenish Primary School is to nurture the balanced development of body, mind and spirit, leading to the fulfilment of each individual's potential within the broader community in all its diversity.

Whole School Evaluation

A panel of four individuals have conducted an evaluation of our school which started on Tuesday 22 September and ended on Thursday 25 September.

According to the state appraisal system there are 9 focus areas when a whole school is evaluated. They are: Basic Functionality; Leadership, Management and Communication; Governance and Relationships; Quality of Teaching and Learning; Curriculum Provision; Learner Achievement; Safety, Security and Discipline; School Infrastructure; Parents and Community.

Many hours of interviews were conducted and piles of files and documents were scrutinized, read and closely checked. The process was intensive, exhaustive and thorough. Each individual on the panel has many years of experience in managing a school and therefore has a deep understanding of what is required to make a school good and effective.

The school was given **4 out of 5** for overall performance, which is very good. It is very seldom that a rating of 5 will be given as this would mean that there is no more room for improvement.

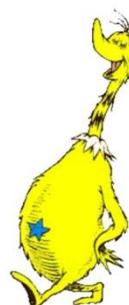
We are very proud of this achievement and I am grateful and honoured to be working alongside the calibre of teachers and parents of this community. You are the people who make this school as wonderful as it is and I would like to extend my most sincere and heartfelt thanks to you.

May we continue to go from strength to strength.

Neil Pretorius

You have brains in your head
You have feet in your shoes
YOU CAN STEER YOURSELF
in **ANY** direction you choose

If things Start happening,
Don't worry, Don't stew,
Just go Right along and
You'll start happening too
-Dr. Seuss



Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting So...
get on your way. Dr. Seuss

ARE YOU SUPPORTING THE 2014 RHENISH GOLF DAY?

The 2014 Rhenish Day is only weeks away now.

We still need more **hole sponsors, prize sponsors, golf 4-balls and boules players.** If you would like to be involved in the golf day, would like to sponsor in any form or can help in another way, please let us know.

Our email is golfday@rhenishprimary.co.za

This is the **PTA's major fundraiser for the year.** We know it feels like you are constantly being asked for money, but the money the PTA raises is used in all sorts of ways to make Rhenish Primary a nicer place to be. This year the PTA has funded a number of things including:

- blinds in many of the classrooms
- a digital piano and amplifier
- a smart board for Grade R
- a television for Grade RR
- a carpet for Mrs Branders' classroom
- a new urn and microwaves for the staffroom.



This is in addition to our regular expenses such as birthday gifts for the staff, hospitality costs for sporting events and many other functions throughout the year and guest speaker expenses.

None of the sponsorship monies raised by the Rhenish Golf Day are used to subsidise the day, so even if you aren't interested in participating in the day, supporting the day through sponsorship is a wonderful way to directly support the school.

The Committee works very hard to ensure that the Rhenish Golf Day is a fun day for the participants. This year we are trialing the boules competition in the afternoon so that all the participants can then join in the evening function. We've also added cocktails to the mix just to add to the fun. We have some amazing prizes for both competitions and there are great items up for auction during the evening function.

Please consider supporting the day in whatever way you can!!! We hope to hear from you soon!

2014 Rhenish Day Committee
golfday@rhenishprimary.co.za



Raffle 2014

Get ready for summer holidays!

1st Prize: Explore

With a Natural Instincts Lowveld Double Cabin 6 sleeper tent



2nd Prize: Have Fun

With a Reef bodyboard and junior wetsuit. Sizes can be exchanged



3rd Prize: Capture it

With a Canon A2500 digital camera including memory card and bag.



4th Prize: Come Prepared

With a convenient picnic backpack



Or try your hand at ice skating, surfing or art lessons, if you are the winner of one of our many other prizes.

R10 per entry

Return Date: 15 October

Final Draw: 30 October

HOLIDAY FUN

@ DELVERA



SIMONSBERG
Café

*Arts and Crafts * Pottery Classes*
*Pedal Go Karts * Rock Art*
*Guided Walks * Paper Mache*



Why not join us this holiday and bring your kids to come and enjoy the activities on offer at Delvera? Simonsberg Café and Kids-Xing Café are open to indulge you with our delicious Breakfast and Lunch menu. Then why not wonder through the various shops and discover some hidden gems?

Monday 6th October until Friday 10th October



Activity times from 10h00 – 13h00 daily

Delvera Farm, Corner Muldersvlei & R44

Less than 10 minutes from Stellenbosch

For enquiries call Maryka or Roxanne 021 884 4353



RHENISH HISTORY CORNER

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In this week's Ebenezer there is a little story to tell about the old Rhenish School hats!

The Tale of the Rhenish School Hats

At the turn of the 20th century, the Rhenish Institute was taking in boarders as young as six years old. One such boarder, Mrs Rae Armstrong (née Ginsburg), mother and grandmother to past pupils of Rhenish, was at the school as a young Sub. A (Grade 1) boarder around 1915.

The “babies”, as they were referred to, were looked after by the prefects. One night, a prefect was having difficulty settling her little charges, and told them, “Do you see the moon shining brightly through the windows? If it shines on your faces, it will affect your minds!” When the teacher in charge came to check on the children later that night, she was surprised to see them all asleep with their hats over their faces!



MONDAY 29 SEPTEMBER – SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER 2014

Monday 29 September		Tuesday 30 September	
Wednesday 1 October	08h00: Grade 5 SOS camp departs 14h30-16h30: Grade 7 Fun Day in the hall 18h30: Reception class lantern festival at Easthill Farm	Thursday 2 October	08h30: u13 Cricket festival to Knysna departs
Friday 3 October	11h00: Third term closes for learners 11h05-11h20: Reports handed to parents/learners 14h00: Grade 5 return from SOS camp	Saturday 4 September	
Sunday 5 September	U13 Cricket tour returns from Knysna		