



Can you believe term 1 is past and term 2 starts on 3 April? As with all seasons things change and the opportunities to start something new is there for the taking...As I look back over the years to the start of my time at Tere in 2020 there have been so many changes, adaptations and success stories – We have achieved the prestigious Umalusi accreditation, Tere has been registered as a fully-fledged primary school with grade 1 – 7 and the registration for Gr R from 2025 complete. This year we have achieved an all-time high of 125 learners with 2 grade 1 classes and our first group of grade 7's preparing to go to high school next year. This is the first group who have

completed their whole primary school career at Tere. This is an incredible achievement if we consider Tere started with 5 learners in 1999 and 80 learners when I started in 2020. After school activities now also include Mountain Biking with The Pedal Power Project and hopefully professional coaching for our cross-country runners in the new term with the Anton Bantu Foundation. This is giving all our learners a sense of pride and achievement.

It was with a sad heart that we said goodbye after 16 years to Diana Mentoor our Grade 5 teacher and Academic Principal who has been such an anchor for learners and teachers alike. After serious consideration she decided to retire at the end of February largely due to health reasons. We wish her well and her calm, professional guidance will be missed. This however gives us the opportunity to welcome some new faces....

Front left to right: Estelle Joubert Gr 7 & Academic Principal, Chorne vd Merwe Gr 5, Beverey Esseyen & Teresa Messeur Learner Support teachers for Foundation Phase



All these teachers come with enormous experience and the impact of their experience is evident with the test results achieved at the end of Term 1. The impact of the Learner Support Intervention Programme highlights how important one on one teaching is within the foundation phase to

ensure learners who have little or no home support are still able to thrive academically.

The first term has offered us a number of unique opportunities to demonstrate what we do and how we at Tere strive to make a difference in the lives of our learners not only through education but exposure to unique and different events. So lets start with the stories...

#First Term Test results & - ultimately education is all about the results our learners obtain during test week and how well they have applied the teaching acquired during the term. It is once again a point of pride to recognize how well our learners have done, especially those learners preparing themselves for high school. Our grade 7 are all completing applications for high schools in 2025 with three outstanding learners applying for schools in Stellenbosch and Strand High.

Equipping our school with technology : With Tere striving to ensure that all learners are exposed to technology and new teaching approaches. A huge thank you must go to the Boys Night Club who have been so supportive of Tere School and our initiatives. Under the guidance of Mike Devereaux, they have sourced three TV's and two data projectors for use in class to assist teachers with their teaching methodolgies. The grade 3,4 and 5 teachers are super excited. This ensures learners can enjoy teaching using PowerPoint, online films and other media that would be difficult to present without TV's and data projectors.

We still require two more TVs for our Grade 6 & 7 classes, as they use monitors for lessons that are done using PowerPoint or showing educational material to learners who would normally not have access to this kind of technology in their home environment. Bobby Bennet has also generously donated his time to set up the equipment and make sure that it all works.

In addition to the electronic equipment Tereo has also been blessed as a recipient of funds to the tune of R80 000.00 from the Boys Night Club. This is towards a classroom at the new school premises that costs R250 000. A big shout out to all at the Boys Night Club and all you do for us!

In the photo: from the left: Chantal Samuals – Computer and Learner Support Teacher, Ann Coetzee - CEO, Chorne van der Merwe – Grade 5 teacher, Mike Devereaux – Boys Night Club and Charmaine Opperman Gr 6 teacher.



In 2021 Tereo was blessed with 16 computers which were donated by the Education Department of the Canton of St Gallen in Switzerland. As the school has grown, we were able to obtain another 2 computers in 2022 and a final 6 computers this term. This ensures that the computer learning centre that started in 2021 now has 22 i7 or i9 all in one HP computers for use by our learners with full access to Microsoft, Greenshoots, Stimuzone and any online research that learners may require to do for projects, etc. Remember none of our learners have access to this type of technology at home so this really ensures that we at Tereo can equip them for the 21st century as well as ensuring that when they go to high school they will be as well-equipped if not better than any other learner coming from a mainstream school.

Beach Clean Up – Our yearly beach clean with the wonderful Lisa Starr from Helderberg Ocean awareness on 15 March was a real hit with the Tereo school learners who just come bouncing back for more every year!! We also received such wonderful compliments from members of the public who were blown away by our learners' eagerness to learn but also their beautiful manners and how well behaved they all were. You made us so proud!

To end the special day a picnic was arranged for the Grade 2, 3 & 4 's who were part of this year's beach clean-up.



Fundraising forms a key part of Tereo Management activities to ensure we have the necessary funds to not only run the school, pay staff but ensure the growth and development of learners and the school as a whole. **The Tereo Gum dancers**



have become a popular item to perform at many fundraising events – such as the Imibala Summer Gala, Golf Days, Erinvale Hotel and this year they had the awesome privilege of being on TV as part of the SABS 3 Expresso show on Friday 23 February. Not only were they able to perform live on TV but shared the programme with Springbok Fullback Willie le Roux. This was a real highlight for the dancers who are all avid springbok supporters. Back at school, the school children were glued to the TV watching their fellow learners become “famous” but also thank you to Willie for making the boys feel so special. Thank you to Imibala's Joshua Mralasi for teaching our gum boot dancers and Imibala's ongoing input and support as we grow Tereo into the future.



CHARITY GOLF DAY

SAVE THE DATE!

Join us for a day of golf for a good cause!



We invite you to support a great cause while enjoying a round of golf with friends and colleagues. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details!



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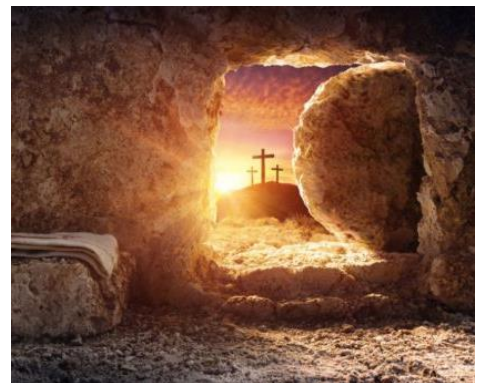
#Our Easter Dream - Making Easter Special for our children...

The story of Easter is surely one of the most beautiful stories of grace and love that we can teach our children. That Jesus Christ died for us and that we can celebrate His resurrection. We ask that you please keep our children and Tereo in your prayers.

It is important that our children realize the true meaning of this season, but at the same time we believe that they should also partake in the fun thereof. As winter is slowly approaching, and we in Cape Town have a really cold and wet winter, we welcome donations of:

- Winter pajamas for boys and girls (sizes from aged 5 –14 years)
- Slippers (all sizes)
- Winter socks (all sizes)
- Beanies
- Easter eggs, chocolates, marshmallows, hot chocolate

If you would like to contribute to this cause, see our donate options at the end of the newsletter or email info@tereo.org or call 021 851 4005.



#Healthy Bodies = Healthy Minds...

Torga Optical Somerset West Helderberg Centre have once again come to the rescue and provided eye tests and glasses for free to five learners who have been identified with sight problems. Thank you to Magdel and team for always being so willing to make a difference to our learners.

#Healthy teeth – Health Learners – research has shown that poor oral hygiene can impact overall body health and toothache can most certainly impact a learner’s ability to concentrate and negatively impact self-esteem and self-image. To celebrate World Oral Health Day and emphasize the importance of oral hygiene, Colgate equipped each learner with a toothpaste and their own toothbrush. Tereo for the past two years has embarked on a toothbrushing initiative where all grade 1 and 2 learners brush their teeth at school under the guidance of their teacher thereby encouraging oral hygiene at an early age. Thank you again to Colgate Bright Smile, Bright Future Classroom kit initiative for supporting our work in this important area.



Support the change you would like to see with a donation! [Click here](#)

Our challenge for 2024

- We have outgrown our current premises and the the City of Cape also has development plans along Victoria Rd and the Lourens River which necessitated us needing to look for new premises. Through fundraising and an amazing generous donor, we have been able to secure the purchase of a new property in Strand.
- With many specialized service providers like architects, etc being prepared to reduce their rates to assist us with this new venture, we need to secure funding or find a construction company who will be prepared to contribute towards the development of the property. This can form part of your organisations Corporate Social Responsibility programme that will not only be of benefit to you but would provide you with tax relief for any donations made to the school. Remember we are a registered PBO and BB-BEE organisation.
- If you are able to contribute in anyway, please contact info@tereo.org or call 021 851 4005. We look forward to hearing from you as your contribution will ensure Tereo’s long term success.



Donations as little as R50, R100 or R500 can make all the difference or sponsor a teacher or donate funds towards our projects or our new school

EFT PAYMENTS:

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Bank: **First National Bank**
Account number: **62009313339**
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Branch code: **271344**
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Thank you and God bless until next time!