



**WELCOME TO OUR MAY 2017 NEWSLETTER**

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**“Experts tell us that 90% of all brain development occurs by the age of five. If we don’t begin thinking about education in the early years, our children are at risk of falling behind by the time they start Kindergarten.”**

*Robert. L. Ehrlich*

### **BASIC INTERMEDIATE COURSE**

Our second Basic Intermediate Course this year was very successful and was funded from the Balwin Charity Walk 2016 - so thank



you to Balwin Properties and all who participated!

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### GET A WONDERBAG TODAY!

Introducing the marvellous Masikhule-branded **wonderbag**! The **wonderbag** is a simple but revolutionary, non-electric, portable slow cooker. It continues to cook food which has been brought to the boil by conventional methods for up to 12 hours without the use of additional electricity or fuel.

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### BASIC BUSINESS COURSE

Every year Masikhule facilitates a Business Course for principals and administrators of the ECD Centres we work with. This Course provides the delegates with a range of essential skills such as time management, budgeting and conflict resolution.

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### CAPE TALK - RADIO INTERVIEW

Listen to Sandy Immelman being interviewed about Masikhule by Pippa Hudson on Cape Talk.

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## EVENTS

### MANDELA DAY 2017

**Time to get knitting for Masikhule!**

This year Masikhule is teaming up with

### SANLAM CAPE TOWN MARATHON

**Run for Masikhule and raise funds!**

Give a little, make a big difference. You

ECHO to introduce "Wrap Up & Read". We will be collecting blankets, beanies and books, and hope you'll join us!

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can make a difference, get involved, help raise funds and/or run the Sanlam Cape Town Marathon for a cause of your choice - and we are hoping that cause will be Masikhule.

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**Cast On 4 Kids 2017 - Wrap Up & Read**  
Mandela Day 18 July 2017

Masikhule's annual Mandela Day Cast On 4 Kids challenge is here! Spend 67 minutes knitting or join us on 18 July at E!nvalle Hotel (11900 - 14900) to "sit and knit" or bring along your donations of blankets (fleece blankets preferred please), beanies and scarves.

This year we are teaming up with ECHO and introducing "Wrap Up and Read" where you are also encouraged to donate age-appropriate books (children in the 30 ECD Centres we mentor are 0-6 years in age) in English, Afrikaans and Xhosa.

**MASIKHULE**  
we are growing

[www.masikhule.org](http://www.masikhule.org)



## WITH THANKS

### HEART-WARMING DONATION - JUDITH CROSS

With Cast On 4 Kids coming up on Mandela Day in July, we are once again encouraging people to get knitting.

This year will be the first Cast On 4 Kids without the massive contribution Des McLeod always made. But that doesn't mean we won't be starting off without a huge boost - thanks to Judith Cross who has been busying all year, knitting for Masikhule, even though she has returned to the UK. Thank you Judith - we will miss you and your generous support of Masikhule!



### SHOPRITE

A number of the Early Learning Centres

### BEST NUTRITION FUNDING

Thank you to Soul Circle, Gerda Jung and Rotary Club Hanse D 1940, Bernd Holtkamp, Coronation Asset Management and Fiona Drysdale for assistance towards funding the first Best Nutrition Workshop in March.

We are busy with follow-up mentorship visits and will be monitoring the weight and height of children at 6 centres. This has been a highly successful program and we look forward to sharing the results with you. Masikhule believes that "to nourish is to flourish".



### GENEROUS BOOK DONATION

Once again we give thanks to Marilyn



we mentor have been fortunate enough to be selected as beneficiaries for [Shoprite South Africa](#) Vouchers over the last year.

Example of what items have been purchased with these much-appreciated vouchers: Kitchen utensils, white board and pens, Duplo, First Aid kits, balls. Thank you Shoprite for sharing the love!



Brink for her generous donation. With this funding we have been able to supply wonderful stories that are age-appropriate and in Xhosa and Afrikaans, as well as in English, to a number of Early Learning Centres, and for this we are extremely grateful.

Early literacy is really essential and very close to our hearts, so this wonderful gift of books (and the fantastic discount we were given by [Jacana Media](#)) is one we treasure.



#### ANGEL BOOK NOOK DONATIONS

A big thank you to Debbie Coombe and St Andrews Church in Newlands for donating 4 Angel Book Nooks (made by Hands of Honour) - the Centres that received them are thrilled to bits!

#### 1ST SOMERSET WEST CUBS

Thank you to Valeska, Natasha and the 1st Somerset West Cubs who visited Spring of Life in Asanda Village and Adiya Daycare in Strand recently to spend some time with the children and to hand over some lovely books and educational toys.



#### DONATIONS

**Thank you for financial donations** from D.O. Keet, Michelle Dunbar, Sandi Theron, Luc Dullaers, Vito Polo and Beachcomber. Well done to Felicity Gallagher for raising funds for her Two Oceans Marathon for Masikhule. Thank you also to Penne Tompkins and South Burlington Rotary for funding towards Best Nutrition Resource Kits and to Gerda Jung and Rotary E-Club Hanse D1940 for

**Thank you for donations of goods** to Judith, Carol and Isabella, Leonie, Sarah and Emily, Rebecca Peter, Linda Killick, Avril Glendining and Apple Tool & Gas Company.

funding towards upgrades at Alice's Daycare in Lwandle.

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## FOR ONGOING SUPPORT:

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## HOW TO SUPPORT MASIKHULE

### RELATE BRACELET

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