

Marais Viljoen NUUSBRIEF / NEWS LETTER



Term 3 / Kwartaal 3

3 October / Oktober 2025

UIT DIE HOOF SE KANTOOR / FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

'n Seisoen van Prestasie, Dankbaarheid en Vooruitsigte
A Season of Achievement, Gratitude and Anticipation



Aan die einde van ons derde kwartaal begin almal reeds die opwinding van die naderende somer ervaar – veral met die welkome somerreëns wat so mildelik begin val. Die vooruitsig van 'n kort vakansie bring nuwe energie en die verwagting van 'n welverdiende ruske. Ons kyk met opregte dankbaarheid terug op nóg 'n besige, maar uiters geseënde kwartaal. Hierdie kwartaal is gekenmerk deur 'n ryk verskeidenheid kultuuraktiwiteite. Hoogtepunte sluit in die Alberton Kunswedstryd en verskeie redenaarskompetisies, waar ons leerders met trots verskeie nasionale titels verower het. Ons koor het besonder goed gevaar en is as algehele winners van die Alberton Kunswedstryd aangewys, 'n prestasie waarop ons baie trots is. Oor die algemeen het ons leerders uitmuntend presteer in al hierdie geleenthede, soos u verder in die nuusbrieff sal sien.

Die **krieketseisoen** het intussen goed afgeskop, en verskeie wedstryde is reeds gespeel. Ons seuns en dogters het hul talente met ywer en vaardigheid ten toon gestel. Met twee leerders wat opgeneem is in 'n nasionale- en vyf in provinsiale spanne sien ons met groot verwagting uit na die res van die seisoen.

Touch rugby was another sporting highlight this term. We are proud to announce that three of our learners represented the Junior Springbok team. This is an outstanding achievement! You make us incredibly proud. In addition, we participated in a sevens rugby tournament, where our U/17 team progressed to the North of the Vaal tournament. Well done!

Cross country also took place this term, and two of our learners qualified for the SA Championships. Good luck with your participation over the holiday. We are rooting for you!

We wish the **2026-Grade 12 Leadership Council** all the best as they head off to their leadership development camp at ATKV Drakensville. May it be an enriching and inspiring experience.

A heartfelt thank you to every parent and sponsor who supported us during the Marais Viljoen Golf Day. It is always heartening to see how our parent community stands together to support our fundraising initiatives.

Our **Grade 12 learners** have successfully completed their preliminary exams, and we now look ahead to the final exams, starting on 21 October 2025. We wish each of our matriculants all the best with their final preparations. We are all looking forward to a short but well-deserved holiday. May every teacher and learner take this time to rest well and return with renewed energy for the final stretch of the year.

 Dr. J. Krause

First Aid

We are incredibly proud of our learners who have taken the initiative to expand their knowledge beyond the classroom by successfully completing **First Aid Level 1**. **These learners have not only enriched themselves but are now equipped with vital life-saving skills.**

Congratulations!



Kultuur

Ons het verlede kwartaal gemeld dat twee van ons sprekers deurgedring het na die landsfinaal van die ATKV kompetisie.

Ons is weereens trots om te kan deel dat Amo Letsie 'n 2de plek behaal het by die **ATKV-Landsfinaal**, wat op 5 en 6 Augustus 2025 plaasgevind het. Sy het in die Graad 10-12 kategorie deelgeneem – en dit terwyl sy self nog in Graad 10 is! Nog meer merkwaardig is dat Afrikaans Amo se derde taal is, en dat sy hierdie kompetisie in haar derde taal bemeester het.

Veels geluk, Amo! Jou harde werk, talent en toewyding maak ons ongelooflik trots.



Amo Letsie

Hoogste Prestasie op Kultuur gebied!

By Marais Viljoen is ons Kultuur TOPS! Ons is ongelooflik trots op die uiteenlopende talent van ons leerders. Van sang en dans tot drama, lees en redenaars – oral blink ons kultuursterre uit. Hierdie jaar het verskeie van ons Itemweners en Landsfinaalwenners uitgestyg en nasionale prestasies behaal. Hier noem ons net 'n paar van die **top presteerders** wat op die hoogste vlak bo uitgekrom het! 'n Bewys dat kultuur by Marais Viljoen werklik springlewendig is.

Alberton Kunswedstryd MARAIS VILJOEN KOOR



Itemwenner met 98%

Ons is trots op ons koor !



JUVAN BORNMAN



BRANDON REDGARD



KADEY REDGARD



AVA ALLEN



CELISE ESTERHUIZEN

Hierdie talentvolle leerders is trots aangewys as afdelingwenners!

Juvan Bornman: 2de plek Afr & 3de plek Redenaars

Brandon Redgard: 1ste plek Redenaars

Kadey Redgard: 2de plek Redenaars

Ava Allen: 3de plek Redenaars

Celise Esterhuizen: 3de plek Instrumentaal



Spanredenaars – Landsfinalwenners!

 Graad 10:
**Con Spirito
Forté**



CHENIQUE BOKHORST



RUMAY VAN VUUREN



KADEY REDGARD



ZANTÉ MCCALLAGHAN


 Graad 11:
**Kansvatter
Interskole**



MICHELLE FERREIRA



AYVA SCHUTTE



NINKE BOTHA



JEAN-MARI VAN WESTING

 Graad 12:
**Con Spirito
Forté**



CLAYTON GAGIANO



HAYLEIGH KINNEAR



KANYOLIZE MATTHEE



MINETTE MARAIS

Individuele Redenaars – Itemwenners!

 Graad 8:
**Con Spirito
Forté**
Afrikaans



JUVAN BORNMAN


 Graad 10:
**Con Spirito
Forté**
English
Prepared:
Own Choice
Prepared
Bi-lingual



CAMERON RIED

Afdelingwenners: Con Spirito Forté!



BRANDON REGARD

**REDENAARS
GRAAD 10-12
WENNER**



MIEKE LOK

**BESTE DANSER
GRAAD 10-12**



CHENIQUE BOKHORST

**MEES
VEELSYDIGSTE
GRAAD 10-12**



Marais Viljoen Revue is tops!

Ons revue was 'n viering van talent en kreatiwiteit!

Na baie ure se harde werk, oefen en toewyding het ons leerders die verhoog laat lewe kry met 'n vertoning wat almal se harte aangeraak het. Baie dankie aan elkeen wat deel was van hierdie suksesvolle produksie!



Tennis

Marais Viljoen het resultate by die provinsiale proewe behaal waar 6 van ons spelers gekies is vir die Gauteng-Oos IPT spanne!

O/15: Miné Visser,

Marché du Preez en Kade du Plessis

O/19: Dante Bolani, Jané du Preez en Blessing Ngwenya

Jané du Preez, wat die proewe gewen het en as die No.1 speler én kaptein van die O/19 dogters aangewys is!

Ons is ongelooflik trots op elke speler!



Generasie MV2 & MV3

Waar Tradisie en Trots ontmoet!

Hier vier ons nie net ons geskiedenis nie, ons lééf dit elke dag! Sedert ons stigting in **1961** het Marais Viljoen 'n trotse nalatenskap opgebou van uitnemendheid, samehorigheid en tradisie. Ons skool is meer as net 'n plek van leer, dit is 'n tuiste oor geslagte heen.

Op hierdie spesiale foto sien ons leerders van graad 8 tot graad 12, wie se ma's, pa's, oumas en oupas almal self eens Marais Viljoen se skoolbanke gevul het. **Dít spreek van 'n skool met 'n hart en 'n siel.** 'n Plek wat jou intrek en by bly, lank nadat jy jou skoolklere verruil het vir iets anders.



PROJEKTE / PROJECTS

Afdakke word gebou deur Landbou Tegnologie

The **Grade 11 Agricultural Technology** learners are building neat carports for their practical assessment this term, covering approximately 20+ parking bays at our school. Under the guidance of Mr. J. du Preez, these learners are doing excellent work. Our staff will soon have well-established shade structures for their vehicles. Here are some photos of our learners in action!



Cross Country **GAUTENG CHAMPIONSHIPS**

- ✓ 3 Athletes in the Top 30
- ✓ 3 Athletes in the Top 20
- ✓ 3 Athletes in the Top 10

TYRAN BROOKS
is the Under 16 Boys **GAUTENG CHAMPION!**

54 athletes participated at District Championships!

Congratulations Tyran & Zenzi! We are so proud of you for earning your Gauteng Colours and for being selected to compete at the South African Championships.



Sport Achievements

At Marais Viljoen we take pride not only in our team performances but also in the outstanding achievements of our individual athletes. Several learners have excelled on provincial and national level, showcasing their dedication, hard work, and exceptional talent.

These achievements highlight the depth of talent within our school and inspire others to strive for excellence. Congratulations to the following learners:

7's Rugby

Congratulations to Joshua O'Brien!
He has been selected as a Non-Traveling Reserve for the GLHRA Provincial Sevens 2025 Golden Lions High School Tournament, Under-17, taking place on 10 & 11 October 2025.



Joshua O'Brien



LARISSA KRIEL

Girls' rugby

For the first time ever, SA Rugby has announced an Under-16 Elite Player Development Squad for girls, joining the boys from the same age group for a camp in Paarl early next month – a massive boost for the local women's game! We are incredibly proud to announce that Larissa Kriel has been selected for this history-making squad!



Jaden Govender



Abdullah Tadwala



Rieshaeel Hashim



Ashleigh van Wyk



Ethan van Rooyen

Cricket

The following Marais Viljoen cricketers have been selected for various Provincial Easterns and National teams:

- Rieshaeel Hashim – Provincial U/16
- Ethan van Rooyen – Provincial U/17
- Abdullah Tadwala – Provincial U/18
- Jaden Govender – Provincial U/18 & Invitational National U/18
- Ashleigh van Wyk – Provincial U/18, Easterns Storm Women & National U/19

Proud of you!

Hockey



HISTORIC WIN EASTERNS U18A PROVINCIAL TEAM IN THE B-DIVISION

Exceptional results from the Easterns Under-18A provincial hockey team during the National Tournament held from 30 June to 6 July!

We are incredibly proud of our very own **Tracy-Lee Bronkhorst, Singa Ndzombane, Hlengiwe Mhlongo, and Frances-Jane Dahms** from Marais Viljoen, who were part of the winning team in the B-division and placing 13th Nationally.

Congratulations to these talented hockey players!!!



HOCKEY COACHING EXCELLENCE FOR EASTERNS!

Marais Viljoen is proud to celebrate three of our exceptional hockey coaches who were selected to serve as Easterns provincial team coaches and managers at national level!



Mr. WJ Hollander - U/16B Boys Manager & U/12A Boys Manager
Ms. Joe Buitendag - Head of Easterns Hockey (Primary Schools) & Tour Representative
Mr. Khau Chabedi - Coach: U/16B Boys & Manager: U/12B Boys

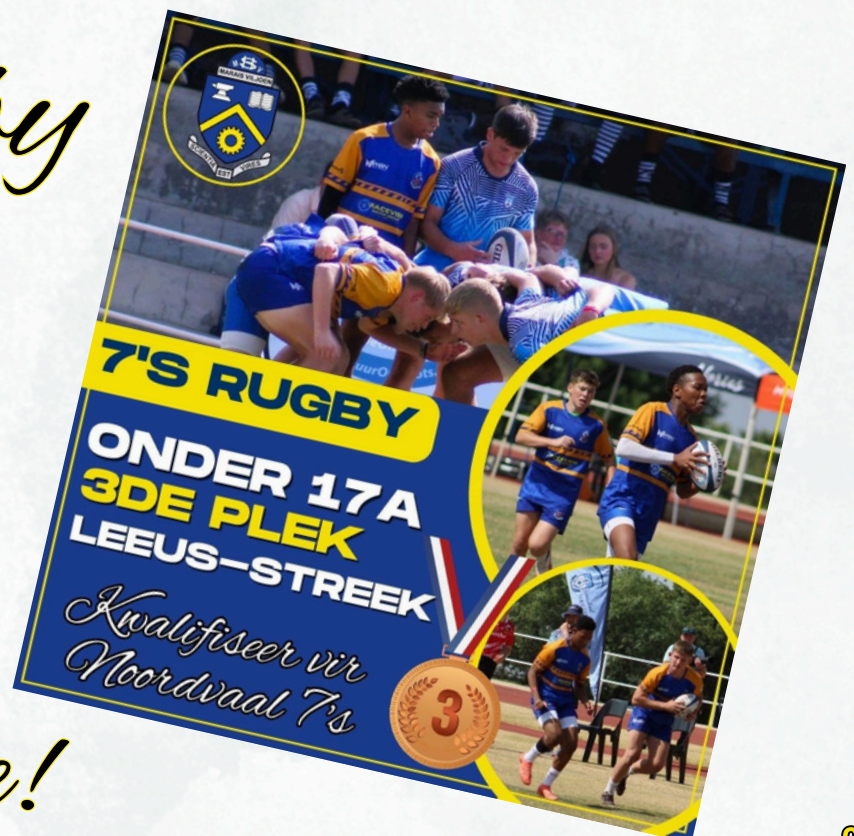
This is a remarkable recognition of their dedication, expertise, and the high standards of coaching we are proud to maintain at Marais Viljoen. Well done and thank you for representing our school and province with pride!

7's Rugby

Congratulations to our 7's rugby teams who performed exceptionally well during the weekend at the Noordheuwel 7's Tournament and the BRSI Tournament.

Our U/17A team **finished overall 3rd** in the Lions Region and in doing so, qualified for the Noordvaal 7's tournament!

Well done!



Touch Rugby

Easterns Junior Provincial Team

We are proud to announce that 14 Marais Viljoen learners have been selected to represent the **Easterns teams at the National Tournament in Durban from 4–6 October 2025!**

This is a wonderful achievement – well done to all our talented players!

Selected Players:

- Kendyl Casarotti – U17A Girls
- Chanté Olivier – U17A Girls
- Leané Viljoen – U17A Girls
- Sasha-Lee Labuschagne – U17A Girls
- Leandro Snyman – U15A Boys
- Jayden Pretorius – U19A Boys
- Kylie van der Merwe – U15A Girls
- Shanique Pretorius – U15B Girls
- Amber Scheepers – U17B Girls
- Vené Oosthuizen – U19A Girls
- Mikayla Hinkley – U19A Girls
- Caitlin Engelbrecht – U19A Girls
- Larissa Kriel – U19A Girls
- Ellzey Groenewald – U17A Girls



Kendyl Casarotti



Chanté Olivier



Leané Viljoen



Sasha-Lee Labuschagne



Leandro Snyman



Jayden Pretorius



Kylie van der Merwe



Shanique Pretorius



Amber Scheepers



Mikayla Hinkley



Caitlin Engelbrecht



Larissa Kriel



Ellzey Groenewald



Vené Oosthuizen



Borge *Baie dankie!!!*



ALTRON
FINTECH

Netbal Onder 17A-span

Ons is ongelooflik trots op hierdie besondere klomp dogters wat hierdie jaar as span 'n 7de plek by die Suid-Afrikaanse kampioenskappe behaal het ná 'n reeks tough wedstryde.

Om 7de in die land te eindig, is beslis nie te versmaai nie, julle harde werk en deursettingsvermoë het vrugte afgewerp!

Netball Champions in Pietersburg!

The same team was absolutely on fire at the BB Auto Noordbond Tournament in Pietersburg and walked away as overall winners! This tournament was in preparation for SA's.

A special congratulations to **Jordan de Klerk**, who was named the Under-17 Player of the Tournament!



Jordan de Klerk



Top 35 in South Africa

We are extremely proud to announce that Hlengiwe Ngcobo (Grade 12) has been selected as one of the Top 35 players in South Africa in the Under-18 age group at the Telkom Netball Championships!

This is a phenomenal achievement.

Congratulations Hlengiwe, we are proud of you!



Golf day / Gholfdag

Marais Viljoen Golf Day 2025 – A Huge Success!

On 19 September, we hosted our annual Golf Day at Reading Country Club and what a **fantastic** day it was!

A **heartfelt thank you** to everyone who contributed: Our golfers who bought 4-balls and filled the course with energy. Our generous hole sponsors, the businesses and individuals who donated amazing prizes and, of course, our hardworking team who ensured everything ran smoothly. We are truly grateful for the support of our sponsors. Without you, this day would not have been possible.

Together, we made this event a memorable success, and we look forward to seeing you again next year!



Perdry / Equestrian



Six of our Equestrian Team members proudly attended the prestigious **Ekurhuleni Awards Evening** on 25 September 2025.

Hierdie jaar het die Marais Viljoen ruiterspan 'n uitsonderlike mylpaal bereik deur eerste plek in Kategorie F te behaal – 'n merkwaardige verbetering op vorige seisoene.

Van ons ruiters het ook die volgende toekennings ontvang:

- **Carlé Olckers:** Victor Ludorum vir Showjumping 70cm en Equitation 60cm.
- **Giselle van der Mesch:** Victor Ludorum vir Showjumping 60cm vir Equitation 60cm.
- **Abigail Brown:** Victor Ludorum vir Showjumping 90cm en Prix a Prilli Beginner.
- **Lillian Beckett:** Victor Ludorum vir Equitation 70cm en Working Riding. Lillian was also awarded in the Top 10 most versatile riders for the year.

Our team will be representing us at **SANESA Nationals** that is taking place 8-10 October.

We wish them the best of luck!

Borge



Thank you!



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MR & MISS SPRING / MNR & MEJ LENTE

This year, we took our annual event to the next level: more fun, more challenges, and more excitement than ever before! Learners had the opportunity to enter without limits, while votes decided who made it to the live finals.

The event, held on Friday, 5 September, was open to learners and parents to support the 50 contestants taking part. It was a night filled with energy, glamour, and plenty of school spirit. A brand-new twist was also introduced this year: the categories **Mnr Spiere and Mej Bene** – adding even more fun to the evening! A huge thank you to our external judges for carefully selecting the winners. Congratulations to all participants and winners – you made this evening one to remember!

The Title Winners!



MNR & MEJ LENTE (JUNIOR)

Mej Lente: Ayanda
Hlatswayo
1ste Prinses: Léa Brits
2de Prinses: Relebogile
Phoku
Mnr Lente: Mika van
Biljon
1ste Prins: Anru Theron
2de Prins: Casey Fourie

MNR & MEJ LENTE (SENIOR)

Mej Lente: Amélie
Kritzinger
1ste Prinses: Mieke Lok
2de Prinses: Maroné
van Rensburg
Mnr Lente: Kiano
Theron
1ste Prins: Zanru Olivier
2de Prins: Skylah
Hoffman

MEJ BENE & MNR SPIERE

Spesiale kategorië
Mej Bene:
Jayme Martin
Mnr Spiere:
Ruan du Plessis

Athletics



We are super proud of two of our athletes who represented South Africa at the **COSASSA Games** in Eswatini in the U/18 age group. Bringing home a total of 5 medals!

*Molefe Molefe: 2nd place – 100m & 2nd place – 400m

Ashlynn Norman: 1st place – 4x100m Relay, 2nd place – 100m and 3rd place – Long Jump



2 INTERNATIONAL GOLD MEDALS for Ashlynn Norman!

Ashlynn Norman, who represented South Africa at the Region 5 Games in Swakopmund walked away with not one, but TWO gold medals!

- Gold in Long Jump – with a brilliant leap of 5.38m
- Gold in the 4x100m Relay – powering her team to victory

Ashlynn is a hardworking and talented athlete!

We are proud of your hard work!

Swimming

CELEBRATING SWIMMING EXCELLENCE!

Hayden Erasmus, Mikayla Hinkley, Liam Peterson and Addisyn Moloney recently competed in the Central Gauteng Short Course Championships from 15–17 August 2025 at Reddam House Helderfontein.

Both Hayden and Mikayla qualified in the following strokes to compete at national level at the SA Short Course Championships hosted in Pietermaritzburg from 25–28 September 2025.



HAYDEN ERASMUS



MIKAYLA HINKLEY

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We wish our Gr. 12 Council learners for 2026 all the best as they take on their leadership camp this holiday!

Grade 10 Camp

Our Grade 10 learners enjoyed an insightful and action-packed weekend camp from 12 September at Kwalata Adventure Camp. The camp offered them a unique opportunity to develop leadership skills, build teamwork, and strengthen friendships outside the classroom. Activities ranged from adventurous challenges to reflective sessions, encouraging personal growth and self-discovery. The learners returned energized and inspired, bringing fresh enthusiasm and new perspectives to their school community.



Kwartaal 4



- ✓ **11 Oktober** Matriekafskeid
- ✓ **13 Oktober** Skool begin
- ✓ **16 Oktober** Gr12 Uitlooperseeremonie
- ✓ **20 Oktober** Gr12 Eindexamen begin & Wintersportprysuitdeling
- ✓ **21 Oktober** Wintersportprysuitdeling
- ✓ **23 Oktober** Akademieseprysuitdeling

A message to our Matriculants of 2025

Good luck to our matriculants as they begin their final stretch of preparations for the National Senior Certificate examinations, starting on 20 October.

This is a defining moment after 12 years of hard work, dedication, and growth.

We encourage our learners to stay focused, believe in themselves, and give their very best effort. Remember, consistency, balance, and a positive mindset are key.

Your teachers and families are behind you every step of the way.

You've got this, Class of 2025! Go make us proud!



Skool begin 13 Oktober 2025
School starts on 13 October 2025