

# Bonnie People Project – March 2021

## Early Childhood Development, After School Care and Skills Development Facility



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We want to thank Langeberg Municipality for their generous donation of masks and hand sanitizer.



Kaptientjies children enjoying lunch outside

South Africa is currently in Alert Level 1 lockdown, most restrictions have been removed and generally all businesses may operate. Strict regulations are still in place regarding wearing facemasks in public and schools, maintaining social distance and restrictions on the number of people that may gather in one place. Easter weekend is coming up and also the first school holiday of the year. We appeal to all our friends, colleagues, parents and family to adhere to these regulations. Wash your hands and wear your mask. This will not only protect you but your loved ones around you.

**✓ Covid-19 Back to School Checklist**

**LEARNING ABOUT MASKS**

- ✓ Have at least two cloth masks.
- ✓ Wear the cloth mask all the time.
- ✓ Once you put your mask on, don't touch it until you take it off.
- ✓ Try to only touch the straps.
- ✓ Never pull down your mask- not even to talk
- ✓ Make sure your mask is washed as soon as you take it off at home.
- ✓ Dry it in the sun and iron it to kill germs.

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**REMINDERS**

- ✓ Show love to friends and teachers by using the elbow, foot, or Japanese greeting
- ✓ Don't hug, kiss or shake hands.
- ✓ Wash hands as often as possible
- ✓ Keeping a distance from your friends is important
- ✓ Show your child what a two metre distance looks like

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Charmaine Wawini, Principal at Kapteintjies Dagsorg, has been discharged from the hospital after she had been diagnosed with Covid-19. Unfortunately she is still battling with her health and side-effects of Covid-19. Our thoughts and well-wishes go out to her and her family.



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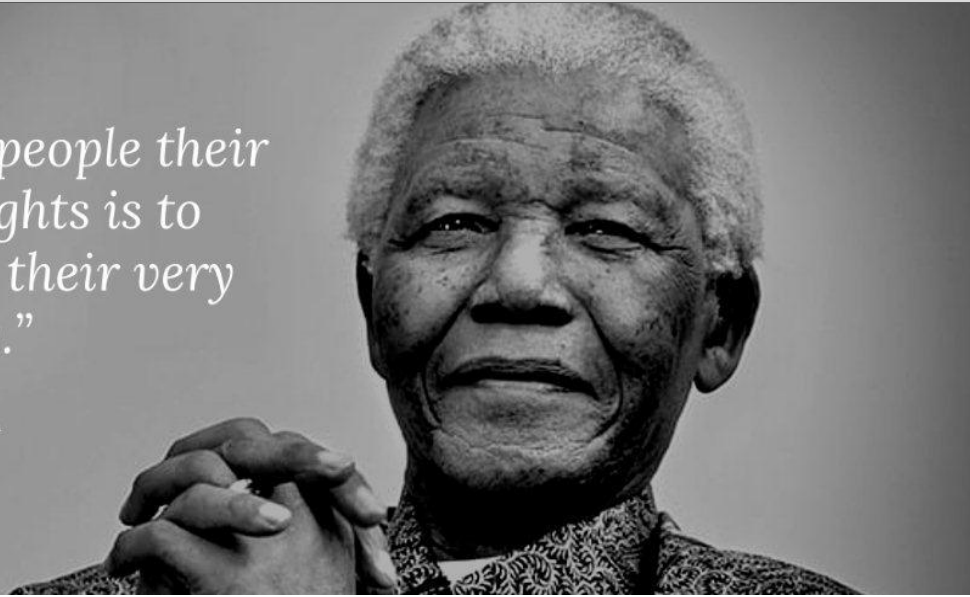
March is a beautiful time in South Africa as we see the transition from summer to autumn. We were blessed with cooler days and even some rain. This however, did not deter people from standing in line to get their food provided by the BEFS project. BEFS distribute wholesome cooked food from 3 points around Bonnievale. The funds received from the Department of Social Development allow us to provide food for 204 needy people. These people go through a formal registration process and the Department of Social Development requires complete and up to date documentation to assure that the funds for food are correctly utilized and that the food are distributed to truly needy people



On 21 March we celebrated Human Rights Day in South Africa. Although we were thankful for the Public Holiday on Monday, 22 March, our thoughts and gratitude were with those people who fought for Human Rights in South Africa and those who continue to work hard to uphold this privilege.

*“To deny people their human rights is to challenge their very humanity.”*

NELSON MANDELA



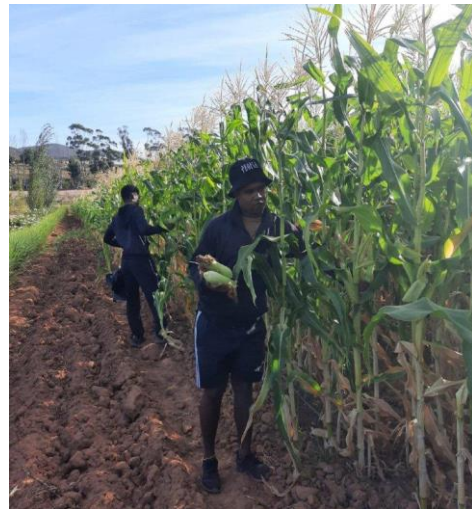
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We fondly refer to them as the Ninjas!

These 4 young men were placed by Chrysalis Academy at Bonnie People in April 2020 and after a year of internship they are ready to move on and apply what they learned. Lorenzo Kortjie will be staying on for a while. We wish them well for the future and thank them for their hard work, eagerness to help and enthusiasm. The Ninjas even tried their hands at harvesting mielies and did a great job of it! Thank you to Justin Champion for donating this harvest.



Above left to right.  
Shane Claassen, Jacques Slamet, Lorenzo Kortjie and Shaldan Claassen



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Under proficient management the kitchen at Bonnie People Project has been re-organized to assure maximum functionality. A room has been completely revamped into an organized storage area for food, dry products and frozen products. From here breakfast and lunch for all 3 schools are prepared and distributed by the professional staff. This is also the headquarters for BEFS (Bonnievale Emergency Feeding Scheme).



Above, preparing the storeroom



BEFS Team, left to right  
Jeanetta Smith, Barbara Viviers,  
Johanna Manuel & Daleen Khun.  
We are very proud of our stocked  
and functional storeroom.



Right, hard at work  
Below, look at that sparkling  
kitchen!



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Congratulations to Theuns & Elana Coetzee, celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this month!



We are saying goodbye to Surina Raubernheimer, Administrator to Kapteintjies, Teletubbies and BEFS. We are grateful for all you put in the past 2 years! You leave big shoes to fill.

Big thanks go out to Weltevrede Wine Estate for their donation of beetroot. The BEFS kitchen made a delicious Beetroot Blatjang. We will be selling these at the local weekend market.



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Bonnie People, a proud team of dedicated staff.

Wednesday, 10 March we held a get-together for all the Board members, school Principals, teachers and staff. It was a moment to connect with colleagues on a social level in a relaxed atmosphere. In true South African fashion we had a delicious chicken-sosatie braai.



Letho helping out school children with their projects in the computer room at Bonnie People. (Left)



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**Have a Heart Equine Sanctuary** is a Non-Profit Organization for horses and farm animals outside of Bonnievale. The sanctuary provides a safe place, full of love and care to neglected, abandoned and abused horses and other farm animals.

Victoria & Marc Ward donated school shoes to Bonnie People. These shoes will be distributed to needy children identified by teachers. This sanctuary can benefit from any support. A huge thanks go out to Vici and Marc for their generosity when they too need support. (Below, Victoria left and Marc right)



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We would like to thank our donors and sponsors for supporting our goals and helping us create a better tomorrow for all children attending our project.

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- Langeberg Municipality
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- St Mary's Church, Whatford England
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