



ANNA'S REPORT End of year ...2018

It has been a wonderful year and we were happy to see that each and every child has successfully passed through to the next grade. Our end of year party illustrated how far we have come in such a short time in the Western Cape and we celebrated by having the two clubs party together for the first time. Volunteers, sponsors and others connected to the organisation were also invited. Traditional games were played, nature walks had and a wonderful picnic laid out for the children. A great way to end the year.



The latter part of 2018 saw (amongst many other things)

- a small number of tablets being introduced to the clubs to be used by the children struggling in maths and reading. We have seen some really positive results through Mathletics and Reading Eggs – the on-line educational programmes being used and are keen to continue with these next year.
- both clubs fully immersed in our 'Eco Brick' challenge collecting rubbish and filling 2 litre bottles. The goal is to build a planter for each centre. Once they became aware of the rubbish, it

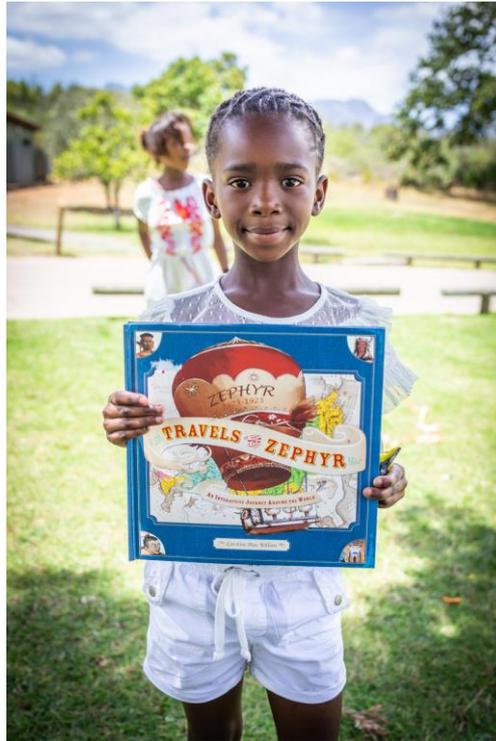
astonished the children how much litter there is in their schools. Keeping a litter free playground is something that we are keen to champion at each school in the future.



- Kung Fu lessons for the Methodist Club kids as a result of the children feeling vulnerable in the community. It was a huge success and a number of the children are showing real potential. We would like to fund these children to continue with classes next year twice a week. Andre (Kung Fu Teacher) even gave the team a lesson in Tai Chi at our end of year party.



- Grabouw Club hosting the AGM this year. The children welcomed all our visitors with a song and two of the girls read beautifully to the audience. It was great to see them speak with such confidence.
- Our libraries growing over the year with wonderful donations from our sponsors and donors. The children continue to be encouraged to read through these great books.



- Our partnership with our schools continuing to grow in strength and trust. Key meetings with the Principals and members of staff have been held with the aim to improve our working relationship and look at programmes that will really have impact on the foundation phase at school.

Moving forward, 2019 will see a new centre for Grabouw Primary and High School and a new partnership and centre for St Michael's Primary School (a farm school in the Grabouw area).

Once again I have to thank all of you for supporting our work here. It is through your generosity that we are able to give individual attention to these amazing children and really make a difference to their lives.

Wishing you a wonderful Christmas ...

Anna and the team.