Marais Viljoen

NUUSBRIEF / NEWS LETTER

Term 1 / Kwartaal 1 27 Maart / March 2026

Uit die Hoof se kantoor / From the Principal's Office



Term 1 of 2026 has been successfully completed. The first term of the academic year was characterised by a demanding test cycle, alongside a full programme of athletics, cricket, swimming, and the opening fixtures of the NWU series.
We are proud to report that it was a highly successful term across all areas, with Marais Viljoen learners consistently giving their utmost effort in academics, sport, and culture. While we celebrate these achievements, we also recognise that there is always room for growth. These areas will be further developed through the various tours and enrichment opportunities taking place during the holidays.

Ons wil graag alle sportspanne en atlete alles van die beste toewens met hul komende toere en byeenkomste en ons is oortuig daarvan dat ons leerders Marais Viljoen steeds met trots, integriteit en toewyding sal verteenwoordig.
'n Opregte woord van dank word gerig aan ons toegewyde personeel, wie se harde werk en volgehoue ondersteuning dit moontlik maak vir ons leerders om akademies uit te blink, terwyl hulle ook aktief deelneem aan 'n wye verskeidenheid sport- en kultuuraktiwiteite. Hulle bydrae is van onskatbare waarde vir die volgehoue sukses van ons skool.

As you will see throughout this newsletter, our learners have truly excelled during this term, and we celebrate their achievements with great pride. We also extend our heartfelt thanks to all parents for your continued support and partnership—it is deeply appreciated.

'n Groot dankie aan al die borge van Marais Viljoen. Ons waardeer julle volgehoue ondersteuning en julle kan weet dat julle van onskatbare waarde vir die skool is.

At the same time, schools—like all institutions—are operating in an increasingly uncertain global environment. While a war taking place thousands of kilometres away may seem far removed from our daily lives, the effects are felt in various ways. The message from school leadership and the SGB is clear: financial planning must take into account ongoing global volatility.

Dit is daarom noodsaaklik dat ons ons kontantvloei verantwoordelik bestuur en deursigtigheid met ons ouergemeenskap handhaaf. By Marais Viljoen is ons ten volle bewus van hierdie uitdagings en wil ons u verseker dat ons deeglik beplan en ons hulpbronne verantwoordelik bestuur om die volgehoue stabiliteit en groei van ons skool te verseker.

We wish all our families a restful and blessed holiday, as well as a joyful Easter celebration. Travel safely, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for a busy and productive second term.

Dr. J. Krause

SPONSORS / BORGE

HOOFBORGE 2026: FORBTECH, RACEVIEW MOTORS, ALTRON & KONICA MINOLTA

Ons wil graag van hierdie geleentheid gebruik maak om weereens ons opregte waardeering uit te spreek teenoor ons 2026 hoofborge vir die jaar;
Forbtech, Raceview Motors, Altron en Konica Minolta.
Julle ondersteuning maak 'n werklike verskil en dra by tot die voortgesette ontwikkeling van ons leerders. Ons is opreg dankbaar vir julle betrokkenheid, vertroue en bereidwilligheid om saam met ons 'n verskil te maak. Ons sien met opgewondenheid uit na wat ons saam in 2026 kan bereik.

On behalf of the entire Marais Viljoen community, we also extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the following sponsors that is onboard for 2026:
Ryx Properties, Alberante Autobody Repair Center (ARC), The Local Choice Pharmacy on Penzance, Nutanix & Labour Solve.

Your involvement, generosity, and belief in what we are building together are deeply valued. Through partnerships like these, we are able to invest in a brighter future for our school. *THANK YOU!*

AKADEMIE: Matriekuitslae 2025



Cheylene Whitecross
7 x A's



Ayanda Ndlovu
6 x A'S



Ridamreet Oberoi
6 x A'S



Leah Piscitelli
6 x A'S



Xanyolize Matthee
6 x A'S



Camryn McLauchlan
5 x A'S



Mignon Mentz
5 x A's



Jana Smit
5 x A'S



Shenika Bhana
5 x A'S

Slaagsyfer Pass rate
98.95%

Baccalaureus: 80.84%
75%+ Average: 27 learners
Vakke 100% slaagsyfer: 15
Onderskeidings: 247

Leerders met 4 x A's



Kaylie van den Berg



Juan de Jager



Kyra Fisher



David Meyer



Mya Marx



Frances-Jane Dahms



Busiswe Mpengesi



Karabo Rakwena



Chané Strydom

Learners 3 x Distinctions: Donné Baker, Michael Bezuidenhout, Tyrel Chetty, Ruan de Villiers, Ashton Harvey, Michelize Huyzers, Lashandran Kuni, Jessica Losper, Keoagile Madumo, Tristan Pillay, Ramokone Seaba, Sienna Soares, Suné Steenkamp, Qhamamni Tekana and Claudia Vittone.

Distrik Prysuitdeling

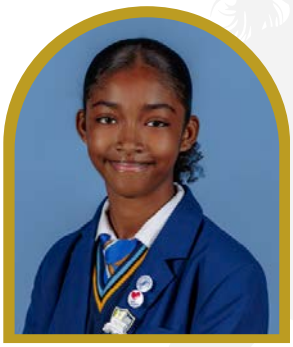
CHEYLENE WHITECROSS: LEERDER MET DIE HOOGSTE PUNT IN TWEE VAKKE IN: AFRIKAANS HUISTAAL EN ENGELS EERSTE ADDISIONELE TAAL.

VAKKE MET DIE HOOGSTE GEMIDDELD IN DIE DISTRIK: REKENAARTOEPASSINGSTEGNOLOGIE, WISKUNDE GELLETERDHEID, RELIGIESTUDIES, INLIGTINGSTEGNOLOGIE, EKONOMIE EN AFRIKAANS HUISTAAL.

SPORT: Atletiek

Sterkte aan ons SA-Atlete wat by die Skole SA Kampioenskappe deelneem in April 2026!

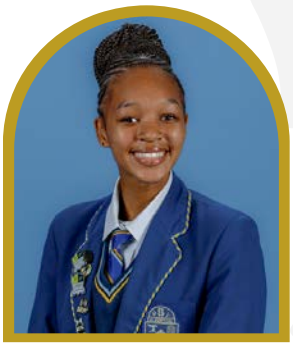

Lize-Mari van den Berg


Haylinn Nelson


Janine Berry


Molefe Molefe


Tyran Brooks


Ashlynn Norman


Luanne du Plooy

7 Provinsiale Atlete

Somerseisoen 2026 Seëvier!

BYEENKOMSTE

MV atlete neem hierdie jaar deel aan (15) byeenkomste!

Ons atletiekseisoen was een van groei, toewyding en uitstekende prestasies. Marais Viljoen se atlete het op verskeie byeenkomste hul merk gemaak en hulself met trots onderskei. Verskeie leerders het besonder goed gevaar en bewys dat harde werk en volharding beloon word. Ons sien met opgewondenheid uit na wat nog voorlê vir hierdie talentvolle groep atlete.

DEELNAME

- Marais Viljoen Atletiek A & B-spanne: **590** Atlete neem deel in 2026
- Interhoër: **90** Atlete in die span
- Cluster: **1ste plek** in Alberton!
- Greater Alberton: **69** Atlete kwalifiseer
- Distrik Kampioenskappe: **55** medaljes
- Gauteng Kampioenskappe: **39** items by Gauteng
- Suid-Afrikaanse Kampioenskappe: **7** atlete in 12 items

INTERHOËR GROEP 3

#2 de Plek

'n Merkwaardige verbetering vanaf 7de plek in 2025.

DISTRICT PRIZE GIVING: 2025

Sportskool van die Jaar!!!

vir die 9de agtereenvolgende jaar...

Kultuurskool van die Jaar!!!

Administrateur van die Jaar: Kultuur

Sportuitnemendheid

Sportseun & Sportdogter van die Jaar!



Afrigter van die Jaar



SOCIAL:

Standing United

In 2026, our school launched an exciting new monthly initiative called #TuesBlue. A celebration of school spirit, unity, and learner buy-in.

Once a month, our learners and staff come together to proudly celebrate what it means to be part of the Marais Viljoen family. The aim of #TuesBlue is to build a stronger sense of belonging, encourage positive school culture, and create memorable moments filled with true Marais-gees.
Each month has brought something unique and exciting:

January marked the official launch of #TuesBlue, where our learners were surprised with an impressive display of Cobra Cars at school.

February, breaktime turned into a lively celebration with a fun dance-off between learners, complete with awesome prizes.

March saw the exciting relaunch of the Blue Boys, adding even more energy and spirit to the initiative.

We are excited to see how #TuesBlue will continue to grow throughout the year as we stand together, celebrate together, and build even more school spirit!





#TUESBLUE

alles moet blou wees... behalwe jou dag...











#TuesBlue #BlueFunDay #GEES #100%MVTrots

SOSIAAL: Mnr & Mej Marais Viljoen

Mnr & Mej Marais Viljoen 2026, met die tema Denims & Diamonds, was werklik 'n glansaand om te onthou! Die aand was gevul met styl, selfvertroue en sprankelende persoonlikhede waar ons leerders hul beste voet vorentoe gesit het, asook spontane vrae moes beantwoord!



Veels geluk aan al ons wenners:
Mnr Marais Viljoen: Skylah Hoffman & Mej Marais Viljoen: Tshepiso Makhale
Eerste Prins: Ethan van Rooyen & Eerste Prinses: Brandi van der Westhuizen
Tweede Prins: Kiano Theron & Tweede Prinses: Imani Tshabangu

Spesiale Toekennings:
Mnr Persoonlikheid: Ethan van Rooyen & Mej Persoonlikheid: Megan Booysen
Mnr Fotogenies: Spamandla Mahlangu & Mej Fotogenies: Ashleigh van Wyk



SOCIAL: Grade 8 Concert!

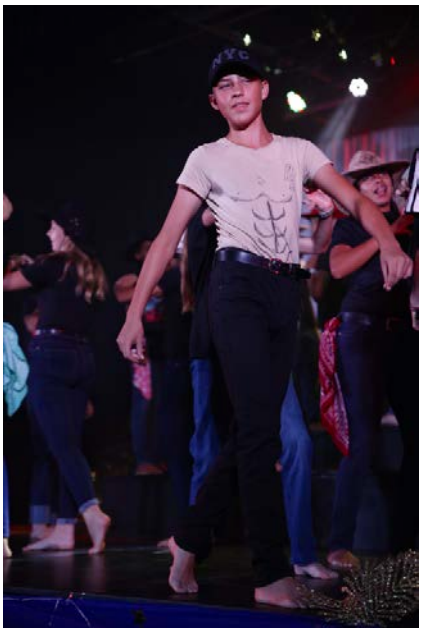


Every year we are amazed at how an entire concert can be planned, rehearsed, and perfected in just one week and then brought to life in four incredible nights of performances! This year, the concert theme was “The Greatest Show”, and they certainly did not disappoint. All 4 shows sold out within just 2 days! We are so proud of our Grade 8 learners, Council of 2026 and teachers for their dedication and creativivity.





The Greatest Show



Valentynsbal

Op 14 Februarie het ons DIE LIEFDE behoorlik gevier by ons jaarlikse Valentynsbal! Die tema van die aand, “King and Queen of Hearts”.
Die aan het gesorg vir ’n sprokiesagtige atmosfeer vol rooi, glans en elegansie. Van die pragversierings tot die stylvolle uitrustings van ons leerders, alles het perfek by die tema gepas.

Die dansvloer was die hartklop van die aand! Leerders het die hele aand lank hul beste danspassies gewys, gelag en net eenvoudig die oomblik geniet.









LEADERSHIP: RCL

Verteenwoordigersraad van Leerders (VLR)





Imani Tshabangu

Adjunkpresident Ekurhuleni-Suid-Distrik

We are incredibly proud of Imani Tshabangu, our RCL President, and Deputy Head Girl 2026, who participated in the district RCL elections.
After delivering an immaculate and powerful speech, she was elected out of 70+ schools, as Deputy President to represent the Ekurhuleni South District.

We are so proud of you, Imani!
Your leadership, confidence and passion truly set you apart. We know you will represent our district with excellence and pride

Lei met visie, inspireer met dade

Graad 8 Fonteinseremonie

Ons Graad 8-leerders het hul jaarlikse Fonteinseremonie gehad, ’n spesiale tradisie by Marais Viljoen.
Hierdie geleentheid merk die begin van hul hoërskoolreis en vier hul toewyding aan die waardes en gees van ons skool.
Tydens die seremonie is die leerders hartlik verwelkom in die Marais Viljoen-familie. Dit was ’n oomblik vol trots, opwinding en ’n gevoel van behoort. Die leerders het ook hul 100% MV pin ontvang, wat hulle elke dag sal herinner aan die verantwoordelikhede en geleenthede wat gepaard gaan om deel te wees van ons skool.
Dis ’n wonderlike manier om die jaar te begin!







SPORT:

Rugby

Mnr. C. Van Dyk - Goue Leeus Onder 18 keurder



Ons is ongelooflik trots op Mnr. Corneel van Dyk, ons Sporthoof. Hy is as 'n Goue Leeus O/18 keurder vir die 2026 seisoen aangewys. Hierdie aanstelling is 'n besondere eer en erkenning vir sy passie, kennis van die spel en toewyding tot skolerugby. Ons is dankbaar vir die rol wat hy speel in die ontwikkeling van jong rugbytalent, nie net by Marais Viljoen nie, maar ook in die breër rugbygemeenskap. Baie sterkte met hierdie belangrike taak!

Infinite Cricket Coaching Academy

Welkom by Marais Viljoen

Ons is opgewonde om Infinite Cricket Coaching Academy hartlik by Marais Viljoen te verwelkom, wat amptelik op 1 Februarie 2026 sy deure geopen het. Die akademie is onder leiding van mnr. L. van Rensburg wees, wat 'n groot rykdom aan kennis en ervaring na ons krieketprogram bring. Saam met ons toegewyde afrigters is ons oortuig dat hierdie vennootskap 'n wenresep vir spelerontwikkeling, prestasie en langtermyn-sukses sal wees. Ons sien daarna uit om Marais Viljoen se krieket verder te laat groei en toekomstige kampioene deur hierdie opwindende nuwe inisiatief te ontwikkel.

Swimming

Congratulations to the following learners who qualified for and proudly represented Marais Viljoen at the Gauteng Schools Swimming Championships, held on 30–31 January 2026 at the Hillcrest Swimming Pool in Pretoria. Their dedication, hard work, and perseverance make us incredibly proud!





- Hayden Erasmus
- Mikayla Hinkley
- Francois du Toit

Congratulations Gauteng Swimmers!!!

SPORT:

Equestrian

A huge congratulations to **Lillian Beckett** on her incredible performance in Gauteng Eventing!

Lillian has achieved:

- 1st Place overall in Gauteng (Junior/High School 65cm)
- 2nd Place overall in Gauteng (Junior/High School 75cm)

To place 1st and 2nd overall across the whole of Gauteng is an exceptional accomplishment and a true reflection of her dedication, hard work, and passion for equestrian sport.
You make us proud Lillian!



Cricket Achievement

Ashleigh van Wyk - South Africa U19 Women's team

Ashleigh van Wyk continues to make Marais Viljoen proud with her outstanding achievements in cricket.

In January 2026, she was selected for the South Africa U19 Women's team that competed in the Youth T20 Tri-Series in Durban. Ashleigh played an important role in the team's unbeaten campaign, helping South Africa lift the trophy. She also delivered a standout bowling performance of 3/24 in the title-clinching match against the CSA Youth.
Ashleigh was further recognised nationally in 2026 as one of South Africa's promising young cricketers, following her continued growth in the SA U19 setup and her strong performances for both Eastern Storm and the national side.

Well done Ashleigh!!!



Congratulations - you continue to make us proud !!!

Community Projects



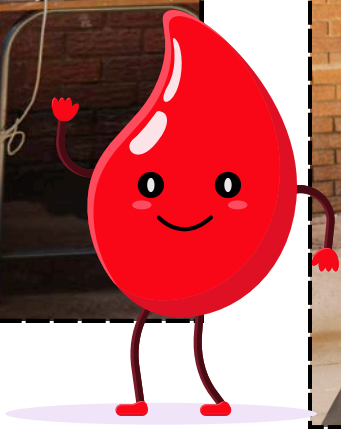
World Cancer Day – Thank You!

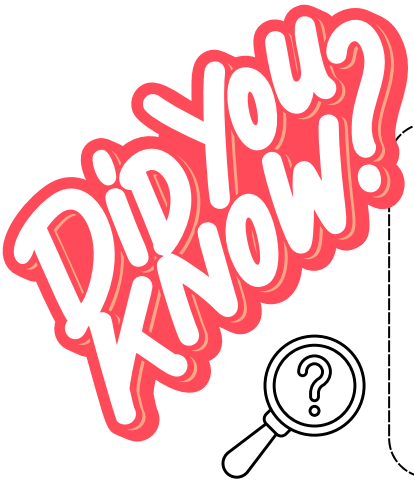
On World Cancer Day, our learners showed incredible heart by making donations in exchange for cancer awareness ribbons. From pink for breast cancer, blue for prostate cancer, to purple for all cancers, every ribbon represented hope, support, and solidarity.
We want to thank all our learners for their contributions and for standing together in this important cause. Your generosity makes a difference!

Blood Donation Day









Did you know that one blood donation can save up to three lives? By donating blood, you are giving patients in need a second chance at life. Your kindness, generosity, and commitment to helping others truly make a difference in our community.
Thank you to our learners, staff and parents for being heroes and for supporting this life-saving cause.

PERSONEEL: Ons Verwelkom



Me Trandé Cromhout – Student

Ons verwelkom graag vir Me Cromhout as deel van ons onderwys-span. Ons is opgewonde om u energie en kennis by ons skool te hê en sien uit na 'n wonderlike samewerking!

Ons is opgewonde om Me. Maxine Zeelie te verwelkom as Marais Viljoen se nuwe hokkie-assistent, waar sy in 'n ondersteunende rol saam met ons hokkie-organiseerder, Mnr. Chabedi, sal werk en ook verantwoordelik sal wees vir die bestuur van die Astro-hokkieveld.

Me Maxine Zeelie - Hokkieafrigter



Me Sinead Smith
Assistent: Sportkantoor

Welkom Me Smith as ons assistent in die sportkantoor. Jou ondersteuning maak die werk vir ons almal ligter.

Ons waardeer jou harde werk!



Me Karla Koster - Vakke: Lewensoriëntering & Afrikaans EAT

Ons verwelkom graag vir Me Koster. Ons sien uit na jou energie en passie in die klaskamer!
Ons weet jy het nog baie om te gee en gaan 'n groot impak maak.



Me Marizelle Blignault – Vak: Wiskunde



Hartlik welkom by ons Me Blignault as deel van ons wiskundegroep met u ervaring en kundigheid sien ons uit na die positiewe verskil wat u in ons klaskamers gaan maak.



Ons verwelkom graag Mnr Botha by Hoërskool Marais Viljoen!

Met jou lus vir die lewe en passie vir onderrig sien ons uit na die groot
verskil wat jy by ons leerders gaan maak.

Mnr Dawie Botha – Vakke: Geskiedenis, Geografie & Lewensoriëntering

To all our learners and coaches going on tour this holiday, safe travels, enjoy every moment of the team bonding, and make the most of every match!
We wish you an unforgettable experience!

Geniet die vakansie. / Enjoy the holiday.

SKOOL BEGIN / SCHOOL STARTS 8 APRIL 2026

Met Dag 4 / With Day 4