



## HERSCHEL PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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### Message from our Head

Dear Parents

In the live stream assembly this week, I spoke about Freedom Day which was 'celebrated' yesterday. We watched an amazing video from James Bassingthwaite on the national anthem challenge which went out yesterday for Freedom Day.

I challenged the girls to a Gratitude Challenge. I would like them to express their gratitude for anything, be it big or small, something around their homes, within their friendships or even simple things that they may enjoy and have not noticed before. Girls are encouraged to put something very short and sweet together and send it either to their class teacher or to Mrs Guercio on [cguercio@herschel.org.za](mailto:cguercio@herschel.org.za)

Mrs Juries conveyed a beautiful message to all about looking out for signs from God showing us the way to go on this journey through life. God promised to always be with us in all that we do. He gives us hope, peace and faith in the midst of difficult times. Mrs Juries further explained that God uses people around us to demonstrate his love of us and that we can cling to the hope that even the hard time do bring blessings.

In case you missed assembly this morning you can still watch it on the link below:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ArogWC9aYgz6xGEY23WTtIRcgzjtrT7B/view?usp=sharing>



**HAPPY FREEDOM DAY!**

"For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others."

Nelson Mandela



## Pre-Prep

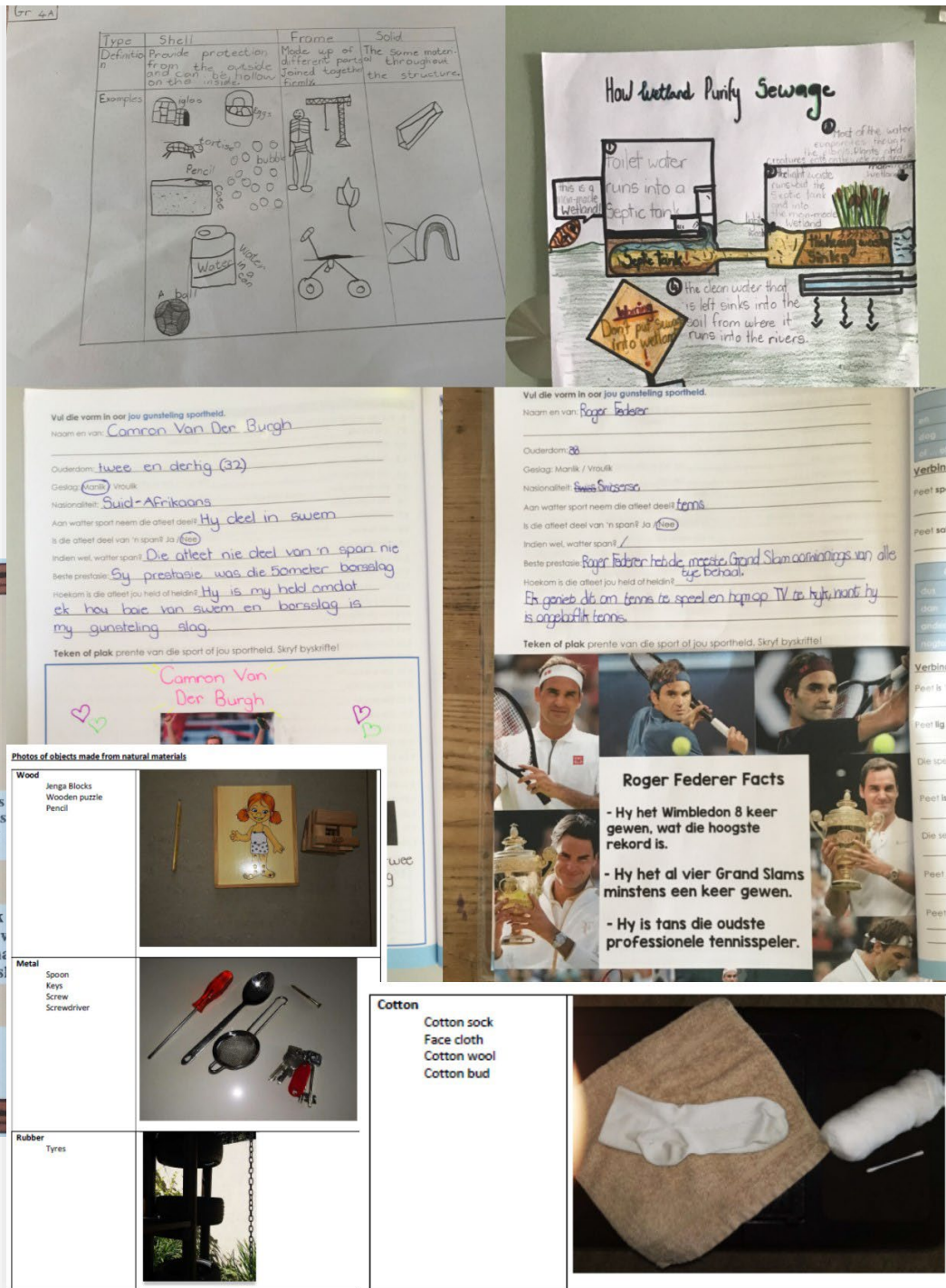
Curious Kittens, lambs frolicking, bees buzzing, bunnies bouncing, ladybirds flying and butterflies fluttering, these are things we are missing the most. On screen, off screen, it's just not the same. We can't wait to see you all back at school so that we can paint, and draw and count and sing, listen to stories and do so much more. Looking at your videos, paintings and many activities, makes the teachers miss you girls even more. Stay safe, wash your hands so that we can all return to school happy and healthy.





# Intermediate Phase...

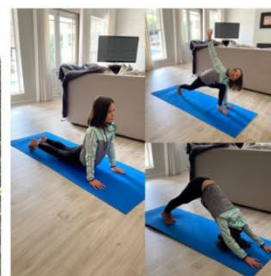
The Grade 4 – 7 girls have adapted very quickly to our new normal and are now adept at creating and turning in tasks on Google Classroom. Teachers have increased the amount of time that they are available in their virtual classrooms on Google Meet to facilitate teaching and learning. Our IT department has made some changes to our settings and we are now able to email girls directly from Google Classroom – not just message them privately. This will enable teachers to follow-up more efficiently with girls who are not attending class meetings or who are not turning in work. We do, however, need the girls to be logged in on their Herschel email accounts to facilitate this. Please chat to your class teachers or Mrs van Eyssen [lvaneyssen@herschel.org.za] if you are stuck. We hope that everyone is feeling connected in their classes and encourage girls to set up private meetings with their teachers if they are struggling. Enjoy the long weekend everybody.





## Intermediate Phase Con...

Grade 4—7 girls stop for a moment and unwind with some Yoga



## Outreach

### Chores for a Cause



I would like to acknowledge our Muslim families who are currently fasting during this period of Ramadan. Ramadan Kareem to all of our Muslim families, may this period be one of success for you and your families.

I am so grateful to be Head of Herschel Preparatory. It truly is a place where we feel love, where things are made acceptable, doable and possible. As we look towards the end of this week where Worker's Day will be observed on Friday.....

Warm regards

***Mrs B. Heidmann***  
***Head of Preparatory***

