#### Bryneven Primary School celebrates phenomenal academic achievements

This year has certainly yielded exceptional academic achievements for Bryneven Primary School. The school's academic achievements include participation in the National Prepared Reading Competition (English, Afrikaans and isiZulu Home Language Divisions), the National Public-Speaking Competition, the Horizon Maths Challenge (HMC), the Grade Four Natural Sciences and Technology Olympiad, the Grade Six Natural Sciences and Technology Fair and the Johannesburg Eskom Expo for Young Scientists.

The Principal, Mr Naeem Nakooda believes that all children should be nurtured to their full potential and at Bryneven Primary School every effort is made to provide opportunities for our children to showcase their talents and extraordinary abilities. "We strive to ensure that our children benefit from all learning opportunities presented to them. We are extremely proud of all the efforts of our children. They certainly live up to our motto, 'Aim high.' Our young, talented ambassadors of Bryneven Primary School have demonstrated that determination, hard work and an unwavering passion and thirst for learning breeds success.

# National English, Afrikaans and isiZulu Competitions hosted by the South African Literacy Association (SALA)

At Bryneven Primary School, we have always sought to hone and elevate the reading skills of our children through our engagement in reading programmes, like our English, Afrikaans and isiZulu book clubs. We strive to instil within our children a love of books and to impress on them the importance of reading. The most popular of our reading drives is our participation in the annual National Prepared Reading Competition hosted by the South African Literacy Association.

We are proud to announce the excellent achievements of our children that participated in the National Prepared Reading Competition in English, Afrikaans and isiZulu Home Language Divisions. We are especially proud of our Afrikaans and isiZulu learners since Afrikaans and isiZulu are taught and learnt as First and Second Additional Languages at our school. In true Bryneven spirit, our children have continued to uphold the motto of our school "Aim high" and have demonstrated excellent reading skills and exceptional proficiency, in advancing to the Provincial level of the National Prepared Reading Competition. We would like to acknowledge the hard work of our dedicated teachers and parents in preparing and supporting our children.



National English Prepared Reading Competition (Home Language)



National Afrikaans Prepared Reading Competition (Home Language)



National isiZulu Prepared Reading Competition (Home Language)

## **National Public Speaking Competition**

At Bryneven Primary School, we have always sought to sharpen the skills of our children at public speaking so when we were presented with the opportunity to showcase the talent of our children, we embraced the opportunity with enthusiasm and demonstrated some dynamic and persuasive skills in favour of some convincing and cogent perspectives.



We congratulate our team of public speakers who will be participating in the Provincial Round

National Public Speaking - English Home Language

### Horizon Maths Challenge (HMC)

We celebrate the outstanding achievements of our children in Grades 5-7 that participated in the Horizon Maths Challenge-a prestigious competition that is open to thousands of children in the country, with more than 3500 participants from the Gauteng province. We are proud of the exceptional achievements of all 16 of our children that participated in this competition and were placed in the Top 100 in Gauteng, as well as our dedicated Mathematics teachers who ensured that our children were thoroughly prepared for this level of the competition. Congratulations to Ishikha Penmatcha (Grade 7) who achieved nineth position, Andrew Wilson (Grade 7) who achieved 7<sup>th</sup> position, and to our school Bryneven Primary for achieving second position in the overall performance of learners in the Top 100.



Grade Four Natural Sciences and Technology Olympiad – District and Provincial Round We are thrilled to announce the remarkable achievement of Zoe Nguluwe, a Grade Four learner at our school. She emerged as the shining star at the cluster level and achieved first position at the district level of the Grade Four NSTECH Olympiad. She further secured a welldeserved spot to compete at the Provincial level. On Saturday, 26 August 2023, Zoe competed in the Provincial round of the Grade Four NSTECH Olympiad-amidst the top learners in the province where she achieved third position in the Gauteng province.

With dedication, hard work, and an unwavering passion for learning, Zoe has shown us what determination can achieve. Her exceptional performance has not only made us proud but has also inspired all of us.



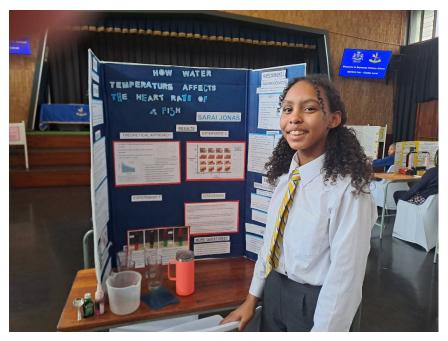
Provincial level of the Grade Four NSTECH Olympiad-Zoe secured third position in Gauteng

## Grade Six Natural Sciences and Technology Fair – Cluster, District and Provincial Round

This year, Bryneven Primary School was afforded the opportunity of hosting the Cluster Level of the NSTECH Fair where our three selected participants Danika Gevers (Grade 6), Sarai Jonas (Grade 6) and Ibrahim Mahomed (Grade 6) floored the judges with their innovation and creativity in their scientific inquiry and investigation. We are proud of all three of our learners who were selected to participate at the district level of this competition and congratulate Ibrahim Mahomed and Danika Gevers on achieving first position in their respective categories.

At the district level of this competition, Ibrahim Mahomed emerged as the winner of his category, and we wish him all the best as he advances to the Provincial level of this competition.

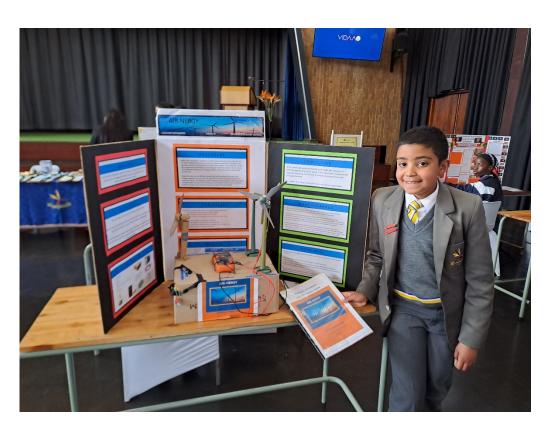
Mrs Kotze, the Head of Academics said, "Whatever we do at our school, we do with all our hearts. It's not always about winning but rather learning from the experience and encouraging our children to believe in their abilities. Our children continue to make us proud as they endeavour to excel and uphold the motto of our school, Aim high!"



Sarai Jonas (Grade 6) Cluster and District Levels



Danika Gevers (Grade 6) Cluster Winner and District Level



Ibrahim Mahomed (Grade 6) Cluster & District Winner

## Johannesburg Eskom Expo for young Scientists

As a first-time initiative at the school, we entered nine of our learners in the national and prestigious Eskom Expo Competition, with all nine young scientists demonstrating exceptional skills and overall excellence in following the required scientific process of inquiry and investigation. The overall results were most impressive for the school, with Samuel Hahn (Grade 6), Ibrahim Mahomed (Grade 6) and Srilekha Medisetti (Grade 7) earning bronze medals. Danika Gevers (Grade 6), Ting Yung Wang (Grade 7), Ishikha Penmatcha (Grade 7), and Larisa Puhaca (Grade 7) earning silver medals. Joseph Bam (Grade 7) and Andrew Wilson (Grade 7) secured a well-deserved first position in their respective category and earned a gold medal for their exceptional work.



Johannesburg Regional Eskom Expo: Gold, Silver and Bronze Medallists





Johannesburg Regional Eskom Expo: Gold winners – Joseph Bam and Andrew Wilson