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Dear Parents

This past week saw all our Primary School choirs participating in an evening of music-making with Bottomless Coffee, a local Cape Town duo who have been making waves on the local music scene (<http://bottomlesscoffee-band.com>).

I really enjoyed listening to the enthusiastic and joyful singing of all the choirs. The smiling faces told a story of children who were really enjoying making music together. The two final items of the evening, one a medley of traditional Afrikaans songs and the other a mashup of Vida la Vida and Pie Jesu, were very special indeed as the choirs joined with the band in a very moving finale (the video of the final song is available on the school's Facebook page - <http://tinyurl.com/ElkanahHouseBottomlessCoffee>).

The joy experienced by both children and audience is best expressed through the words of Sir Paul McCartney,

"I love to hear a choir. I love the humanity, to see the faces of real people devoting themselves to a piece of music. I like the teamwork. It makes me feel optimistic about the human race when I see them co-operating like that."

Our children give us hope and they call us to a better, brighter future. Thank-you to our music teachers for giving our children an opportunity to remind us of this through music.

Arthur Preston  
Elkanah House: Head of Primary

### Lost Property

We would like to remind parents to come and have a look at our lost property baskets for their children's items. Please check at home to see that all school uniform items belong to your child/ren. We have children who are missing clearly marked uniform items. Any items that do not belong to your children must please be returned to school.

## SPORT @ ELKANAH

### Athletics

Our athletes took part in the Ockie Goosen Top 10 Athletics Championships on Monday 30 October at Monte Vista Primary School. This was our second time taking part in this annual event which included Panorama Primary, Gene Louw, Bastion, Edgemoed Primary, Table View Primary, Aristeia, Eversdal Primary, Goodwood Park and Monte Vista.

With the most amazing effort, passion and grit, our school finished a historic 2nd place overall with Gene Louw winning the trophy and Eversdal Primary coming 3rd. Our athletes also won 18 podium places on the day.

## Dates To Diary

**Interhouse Athletics**  
Friday 24 November

**Grade 4 and 5  
Celebratory Assembly**  
(Theatre@Elkanah)  
Monday 4 December  
18h00 for 18h30

**Grade 6 Celebratory and  
Final Assembly**  
(Theatre@Elkanah)  
Tuesday 5 December  
18h00 for 18h30

**Grade 6 Farewell and  
Last Day of Term**  
Wednesday 6 December

**Grade 4 and 5  
Last Day of Term**  
Thursday 7 December  
(11h30)

**First Day 2018**  
Thursday 18 January

**Orange River Canoe Trail**  
11 to 15 April 2018

Congratulations to the following athletes who achieved podium finishes at this event:

- Ethan Joannides (1st U7 60m Sprints)
- Tyler Hunt (2nd U8 60m Sprints)
- Kari Hillebrand (2nd U10 1200m)
- Tristan Berndt (1st U10 High Jump & 2nd 70m Hurdles)
- Cheyne Webster (2nd U10 100m Sprints)
- Chase Chiang (1st U10 1200m)
- Kiara Boddy (2nd U11 1200m)
- Jordan Pillay (3rd U12 Long Jump)
- Zachary Bowles (1st U12 1200m & 1st U12 75m Hurdles)
- Romy Fuller (2nd U12 75m Hurdles)
- Kira Billimore (3rd U12 1200m)
- Alessia Gironi (3rd U13 75m Hurdles)
- Emilia Matuszewski (1st U13 1500m & 2nd U13 High Jump)
- Adam Stroebel (2nd U13 High Jump)
- Sibu Raziya (2nd U13 Boys 1500m)

### Congratulations

Timothy Korsten participated in the District tournament on the 21 October. He was selected to play in the U14WP Tennis Trials which will take place from 1 to 3 December. We wish him all the best!



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# UPCOMING EVENTS