Teaching Harmony

"Inspiring Nature-Based
Learning within the South
African
Education Spectrum"



Enhanced Education Practices

"It's not about changing the curriculum, it's about changing the approach"



CAPS Curriculum Harmony Methodology

What is Project-Based Learning?



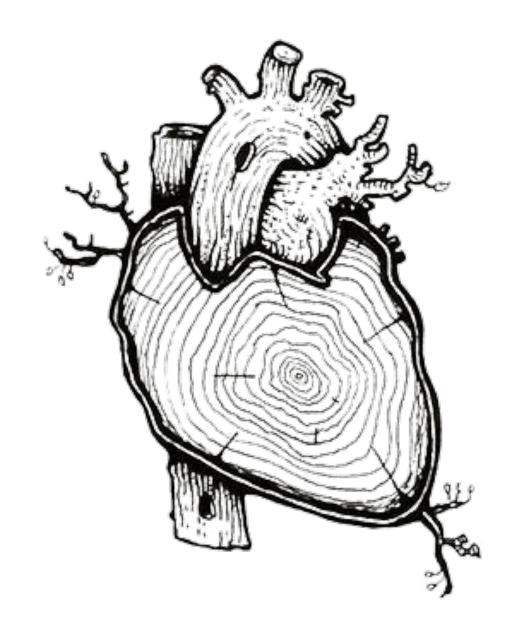
Learning Questions



Nature's Cycles

Experiential Learning

Sketching



CAPS Curriculum Harmony Methodology

What is Project Based learning?



Geometry



Take One Principle



Adaptation Health Diversity Cycles Interdependence Oness Community Projects



Great Works



Sustainability Projects



School food

What do we learn from Nature?



How do we adapt to CAPS?

Half-termly planning overview Year 2 - Autumn Term 1

Enquiry question: What do I need to be healthy?

Harmony principle: The principle of Health

Great Work: Preparing and sharing a healthy, seasonal meal

Partners in learning: Local PYO farm or allotments, yoga instructor

Sustainability theme: Sourcing local, seasonal food

Term	Term 3 Winter 2021	Term 4 Spring 2021	
Overview	What will homes look like in the future?	Why are solitary bees so special?	
Principles	adaptation	interdependence	
Geometry study	concentric circles / triangles	the vesica / hexagon	
Sustainability theme	composting/ soil health/ building sustainability	planting bee friendly gardens	
local connection	traditional homes, local soil / clay collection	planting endemic flowers for bees	
Great work (funding)	building projects	planting food & flower gardens	
Life skills topics	Space, how people lived long ago, pollution, soil	animals and creatures that help us, insects, plants, rights and responsibilities	



PILOT

PROGRAM

2021 - 2022



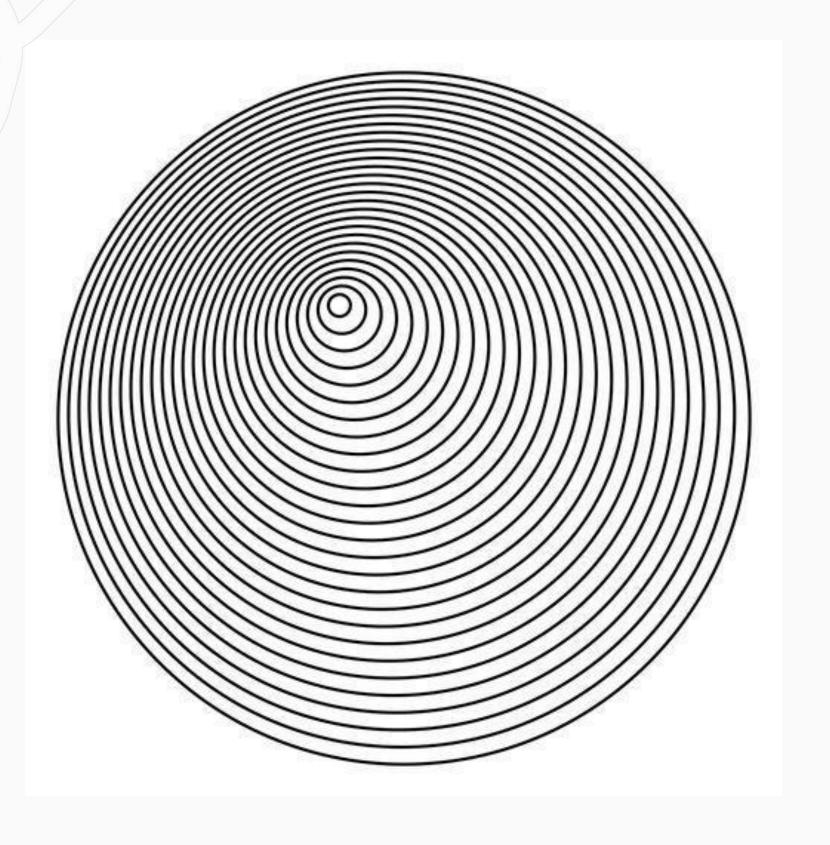
Grade 3: Term 3
2021 (Winter)

Life Skills Topic:
How did people live
long ago?



Maths Focus:

How can we use concentric circles to build a 3D cone?



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TOPICS	TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 4
3.2		Range of objects	Range of objects	Range of objects
3-D objects		Recognise and name 3-D objects in the classroom and in pictures	Recognise and name 3-D objects in the classroom and in pictures	Recognise and name 3-D objects in the classroom and in pictures
		ball shapes, (spheres)	ball shapes (spheres)	ball shapes (spheres)
		box shapes (prisms)	 box shapes (prisms) 	box shapes (prisms)
		cylinders	cylinders	cylinders
			• pyramids	• pyramids
			• cones	• cones
		Features of objects	Features of objects	Features of objects
		Describe, sort and compare 3-D objects in terms of:	Describe, sort and compare 3-D objects in terms of:	Describe, sort and compare 3-D objects in terms of:
		 2-D shapes that make up the faces of 3-D objects 	 2-D shapes that make up the faces of 3-D objects 	 2-D shapes that make up the faces of 3-D objects
		flat or curved surfaces	flat or curved surfaces	flat or curved surfaces
		Focused activities	Focused activities	
		Observe and build given 3-D objects using concrete materials such as cut-out 2-D shapes, clay, toothpicks, straws, other 3-D geometric objects	Observe and build given 3-D objects using concrete materials such as cut-out 2-D shapes, clay, toothpicks, straws, other 3-D geometric objects	
		Suggested focus and sequencing of activities for Term 2	Suggested focus and sequencing of activities for Term 3	Suggested focus and sequencing of activities for Term 4
		Work with spheres, prisms and cylinders as they did in Grade 2; name them and group them.	Work with spheres, prisms, cylinders, pyramids and cones. Focus on the kind of surfaces on each type of object.	
		Focus on the kind of surfaces on each type of object. Distinguish surfaces according to whether they are curved or flat. Use cut-out cardboard squares to make a box. Talk about the flat surfaces on	Distinguish surfaces according to whether they are curved or flat. Talk about the flat surfaces on prisms and cylinders and describe them according to whether they are circular, square, rectangular or triangular	
		prisms and cylinders and describe them according to whether they are circular, square or rectangular.	Name and group the geometric objects above. Use toothpicks, straws, or rolled paper to make a pyramid.	
		Work is consolidated through written exercises.	Work is consolidated through written exercises.	Work is consolidated through written exercises.

Local Connections:

Nelsons Bay Cave

Robberg Peninsula





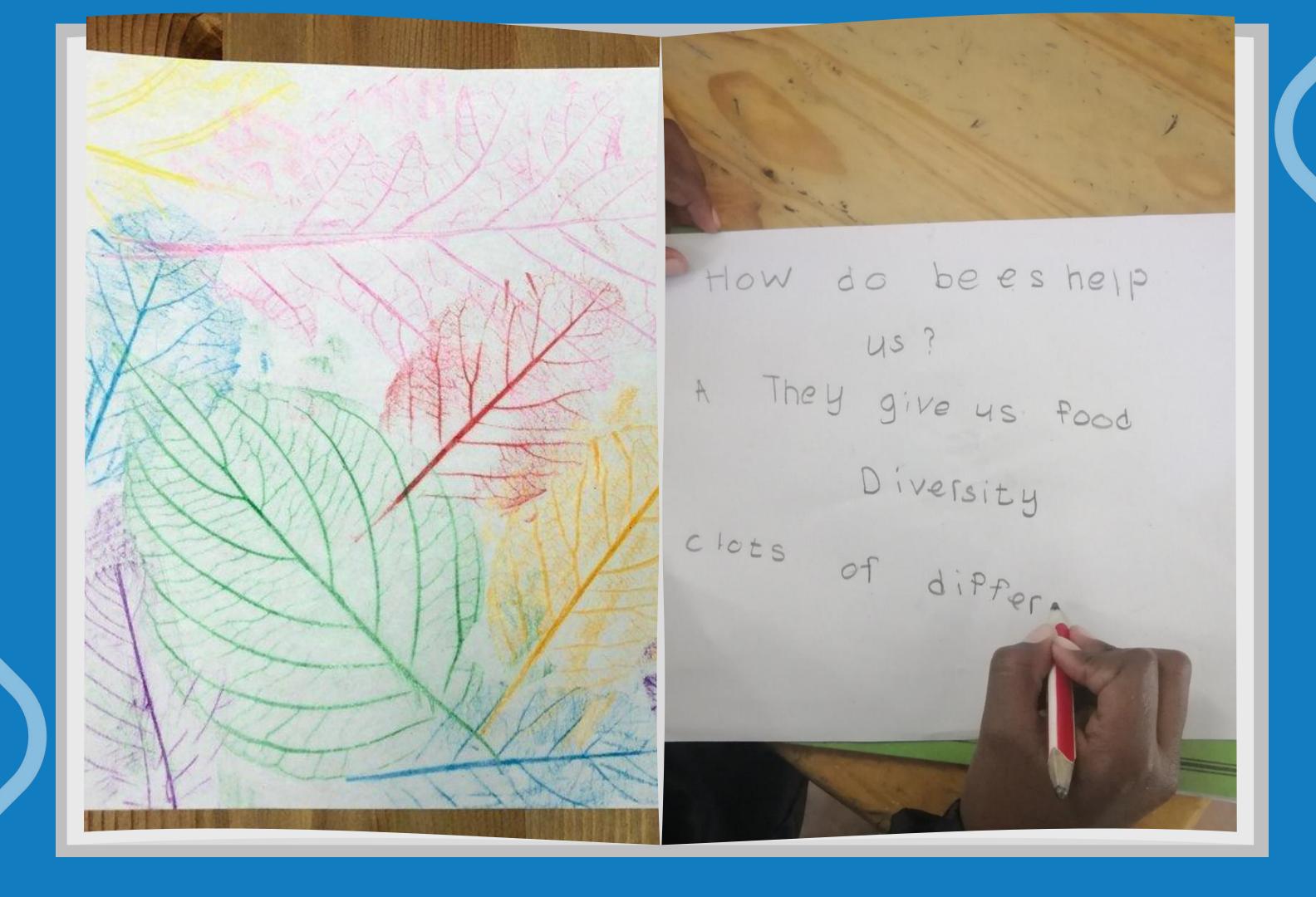


Why are solitary

bees

so special?

Grade 3: Term 4
2021 Spring







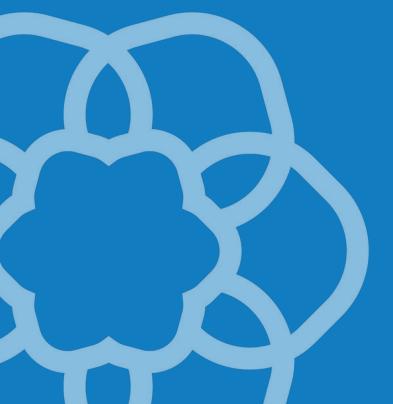




Bee n Bee Air

NOW OPEN

Celebrating Spring Day: Planting a Class Tree







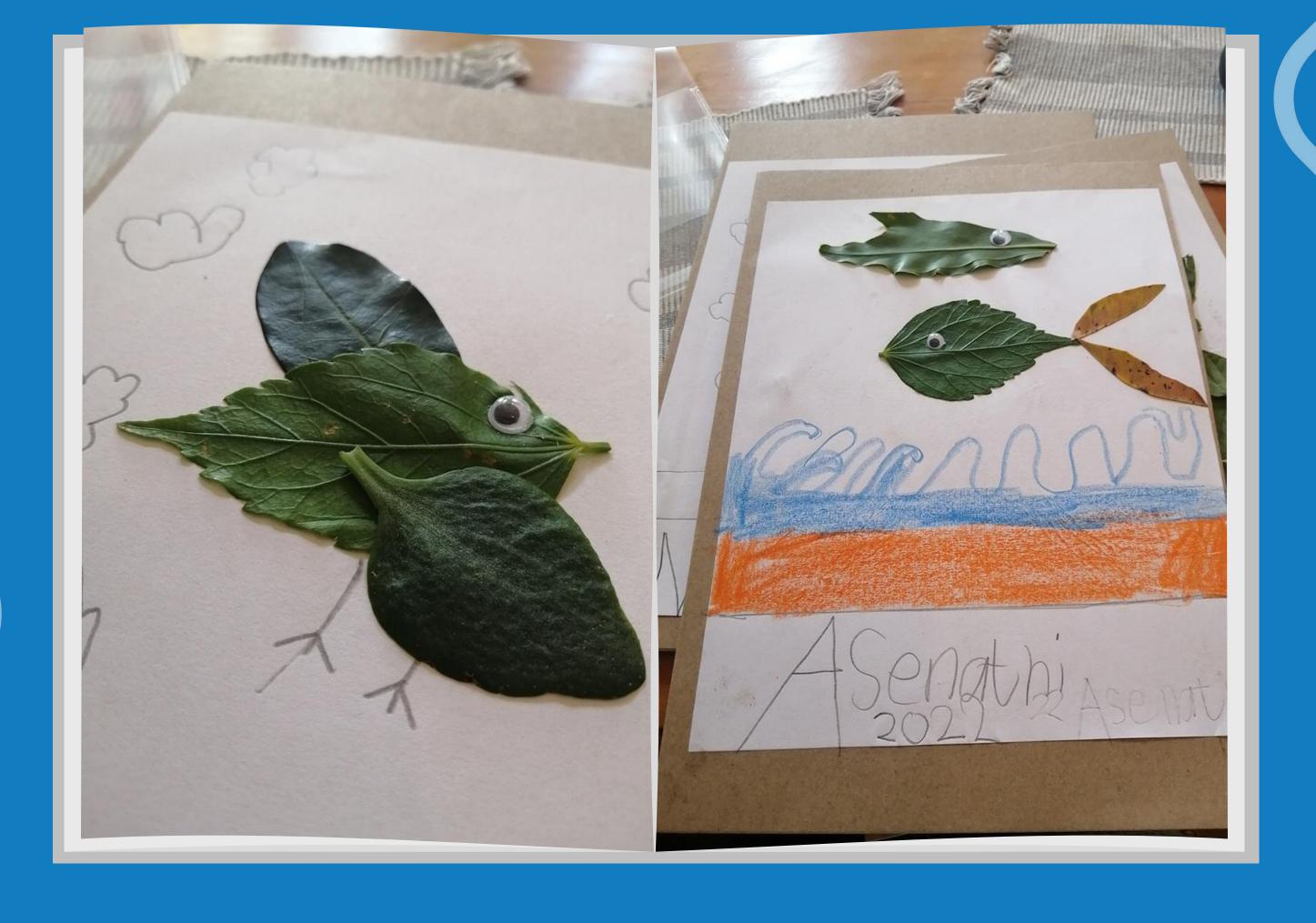
2022

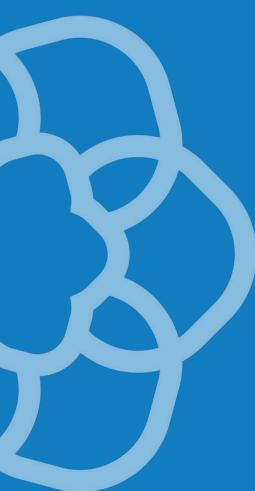
Grade 4
&
Grade 2

Where do animals

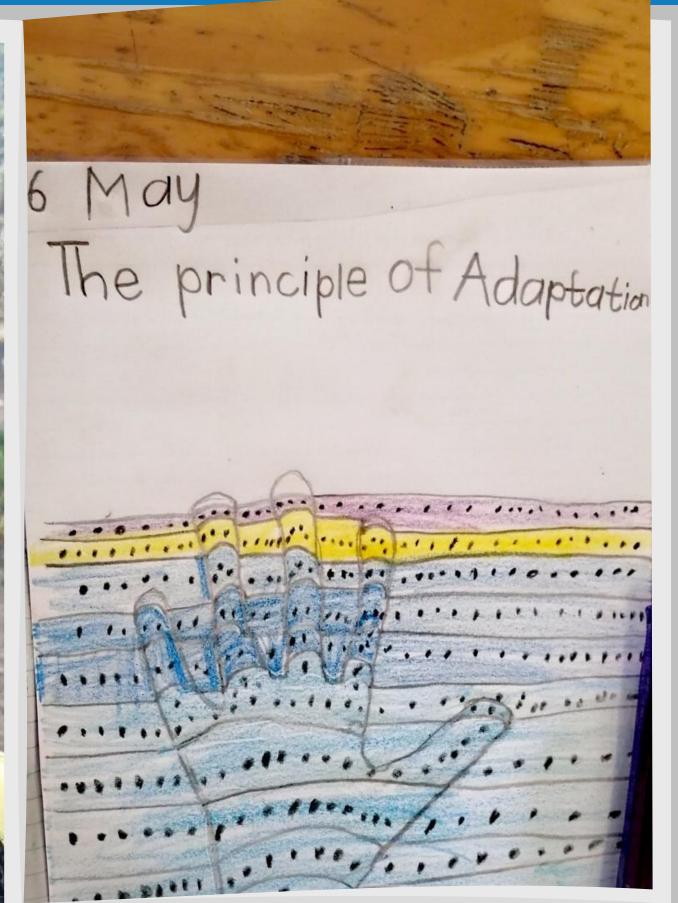
Live?
Grade 2: Term 2 Autumn



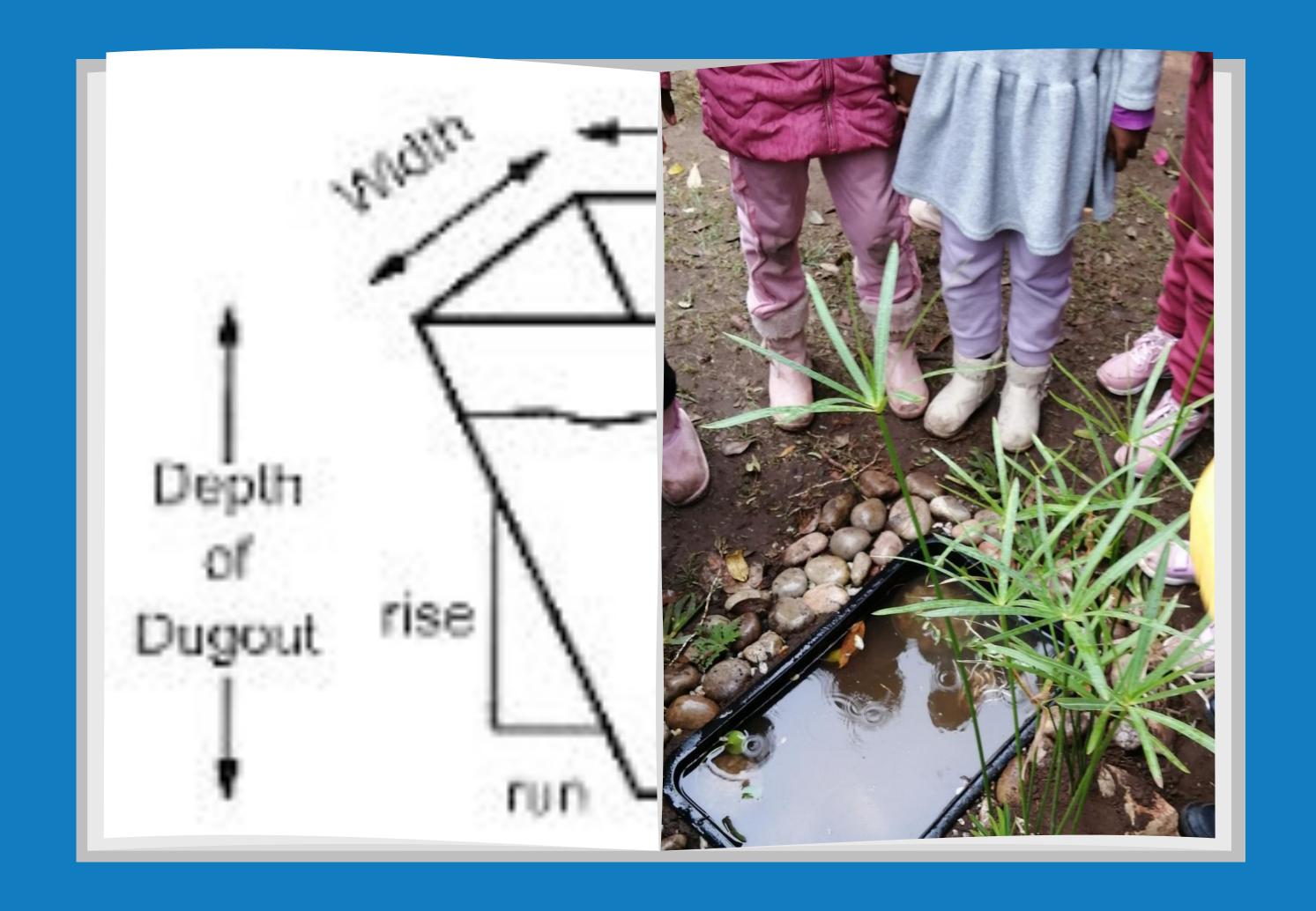












What journey does a river

take?

Grade 4: Term 2



CAPS Natural Sciences and Technology Assessment Guidelines

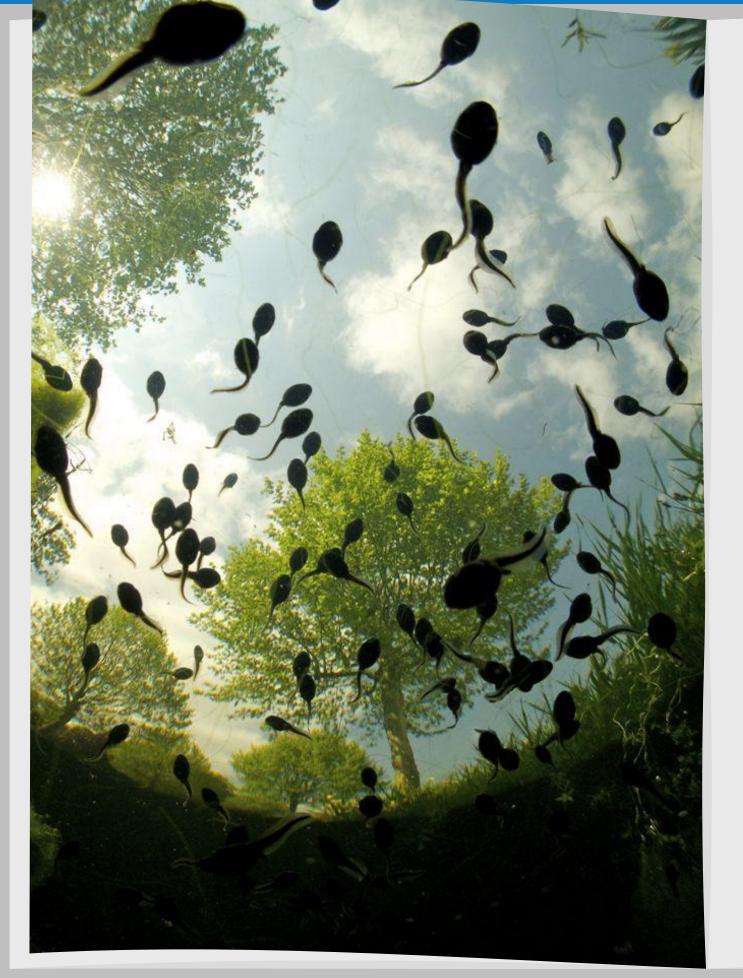
distinguish between solids, liquids and gases

explain how selected materials may change their state

explain the water cycle in terms of change of state of water

give examples of raw materials used to make manufactured materials

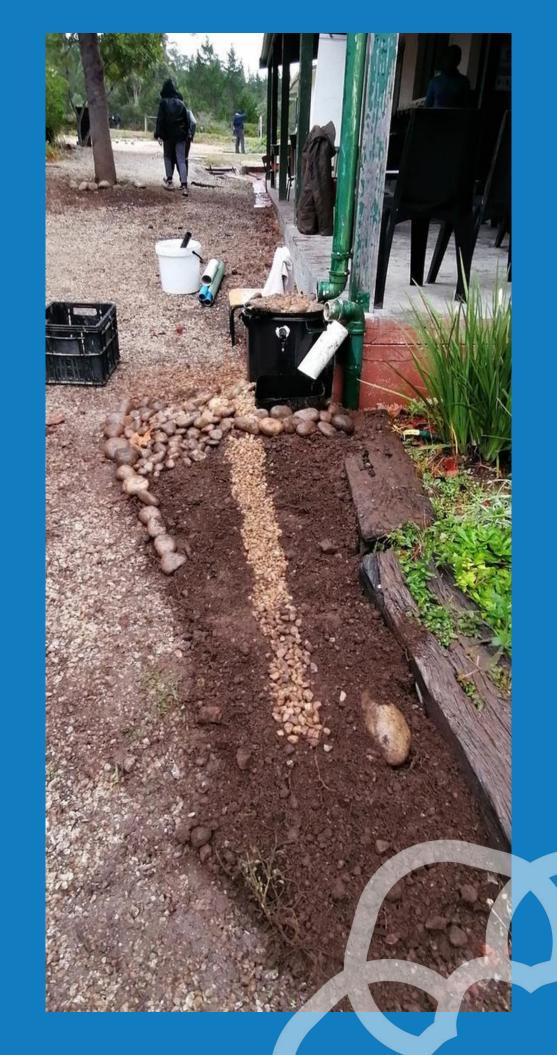




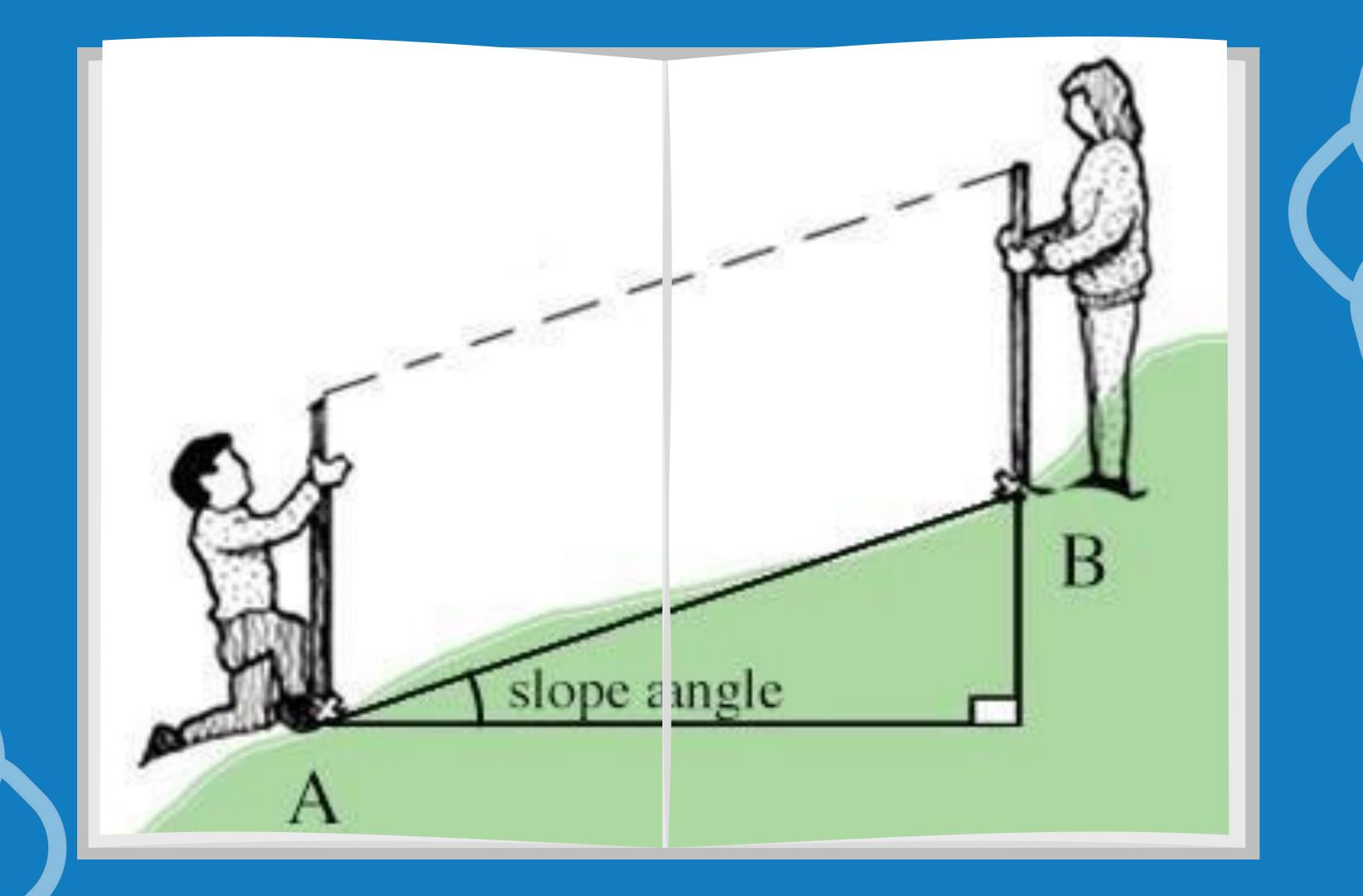
The principle of the cycle

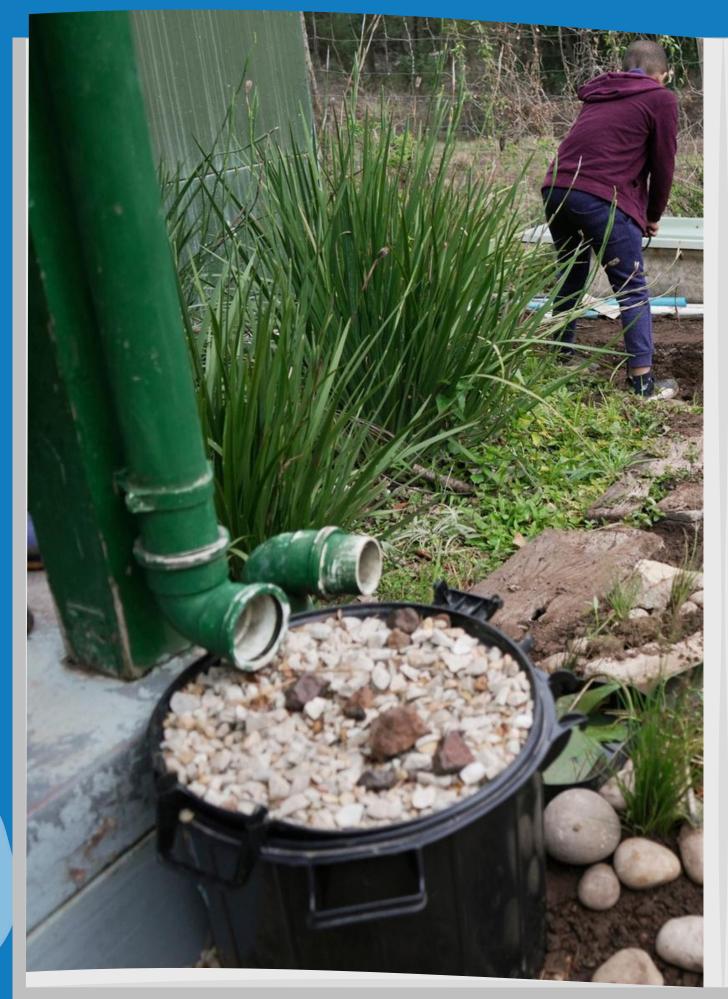
















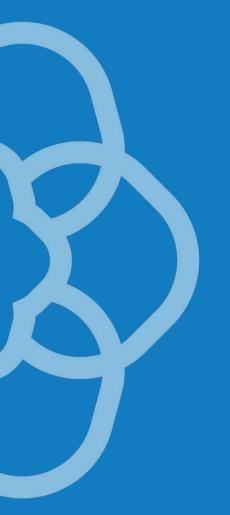
Harmony

Week:

Trip to Poortjies

Lagoon





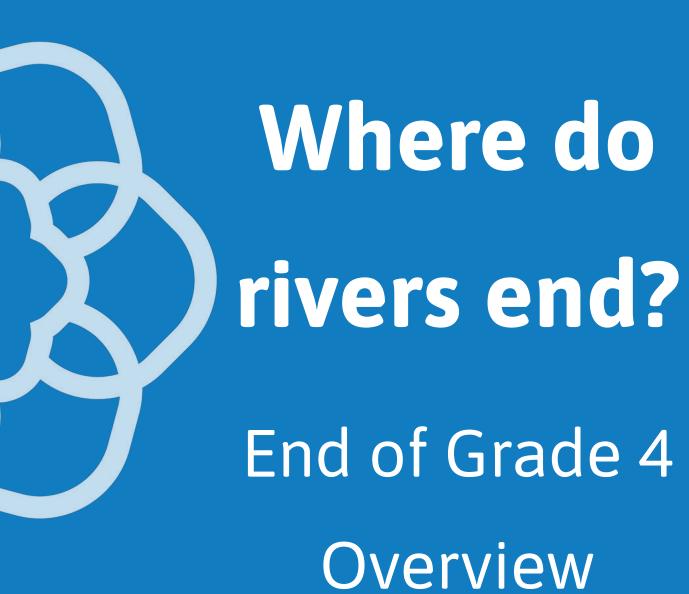
What animals live in the

lagoon? End of Grade 2

Overview

Sustainability Theme: The Hermit Crab
Housing Crisis





Sustainability Theme: Keeping rivers clean



Partners in Learning

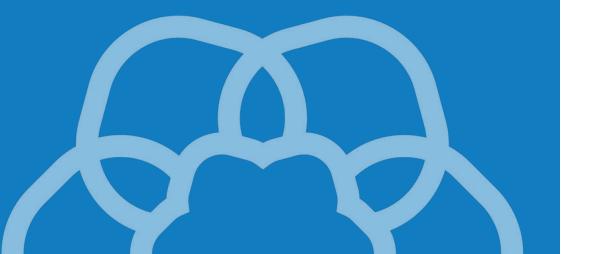
Forging community connections



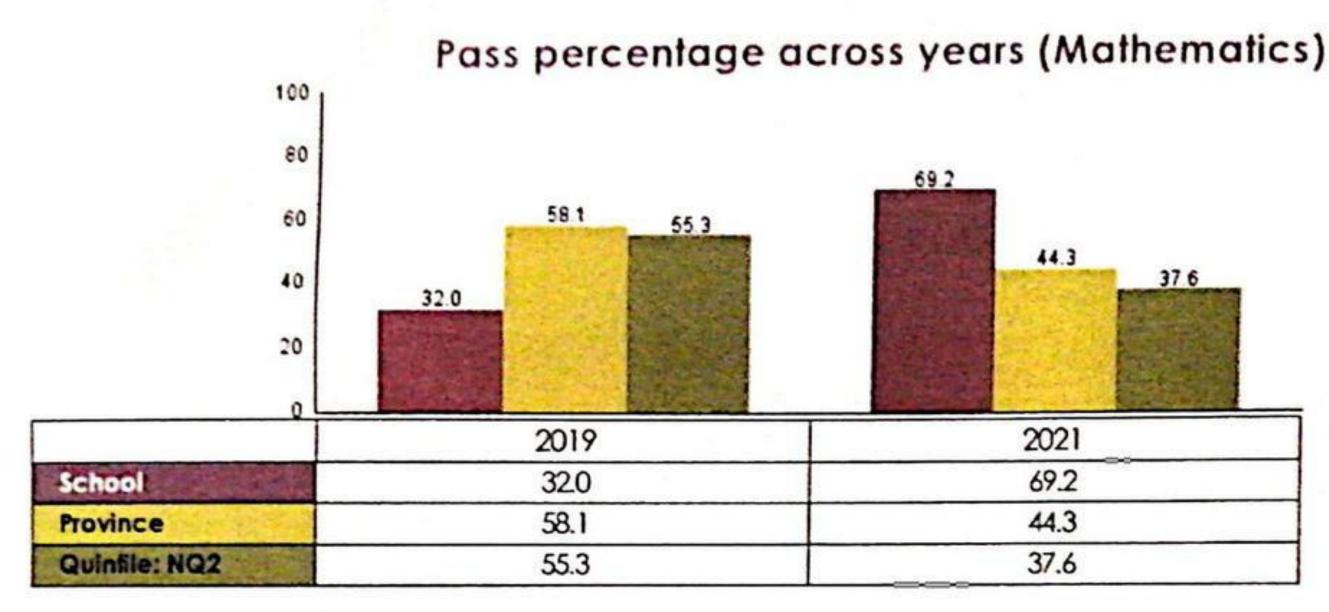
Grade 3

Maths Results

from 2019 - 2021



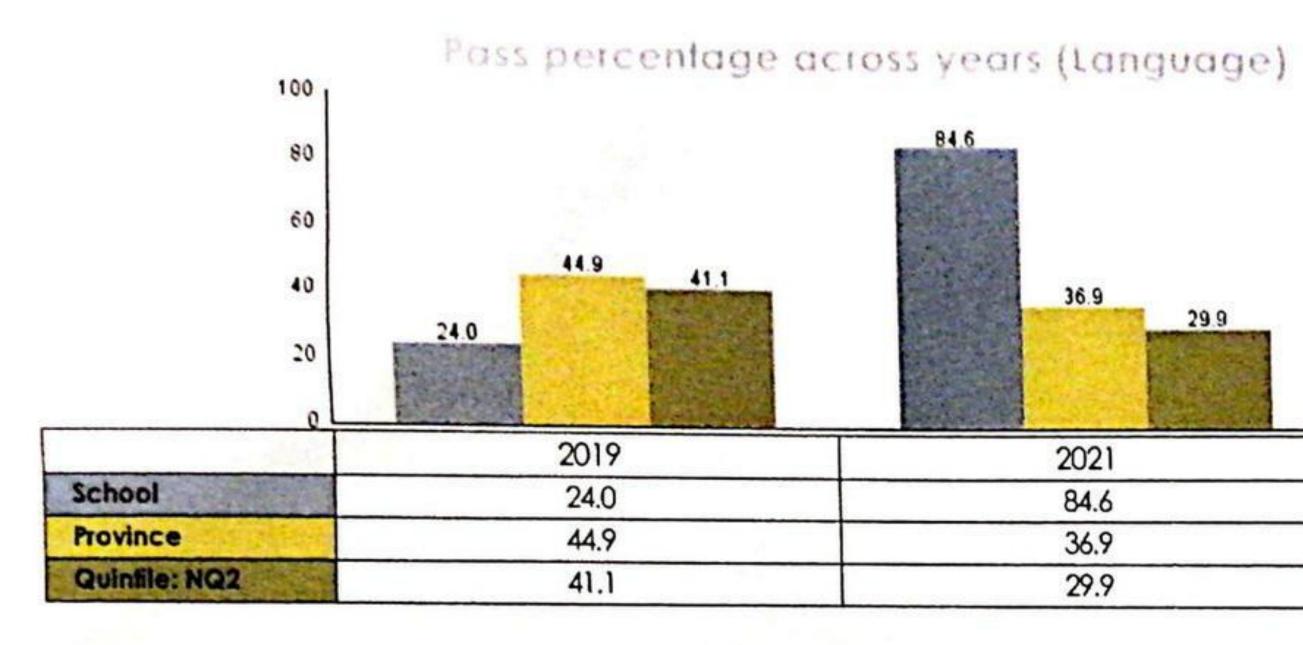
SCHOOL AND PROVINCIAL RESULTS



Grade 3
English Results
from 2019 - 2021



SCHOOL AND PROVINCIAL RESULTS



Let's hear from our Teachers...



Academics plus...

"Appreciation for life and living things"

Triggers curiosity and a whole new motivation to learn"

Sense of responsibility - they are empowered to make a difference and have the knowledge and support to do it through Harmony

"A new world has opened for the learners.

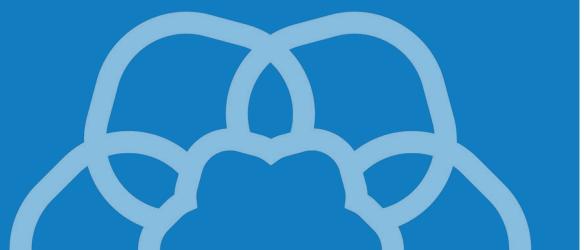
They can now see the connection between the content of the subjects and real life."

First
school-wide Harmony Event:
End-of-year School Concert

Themed around

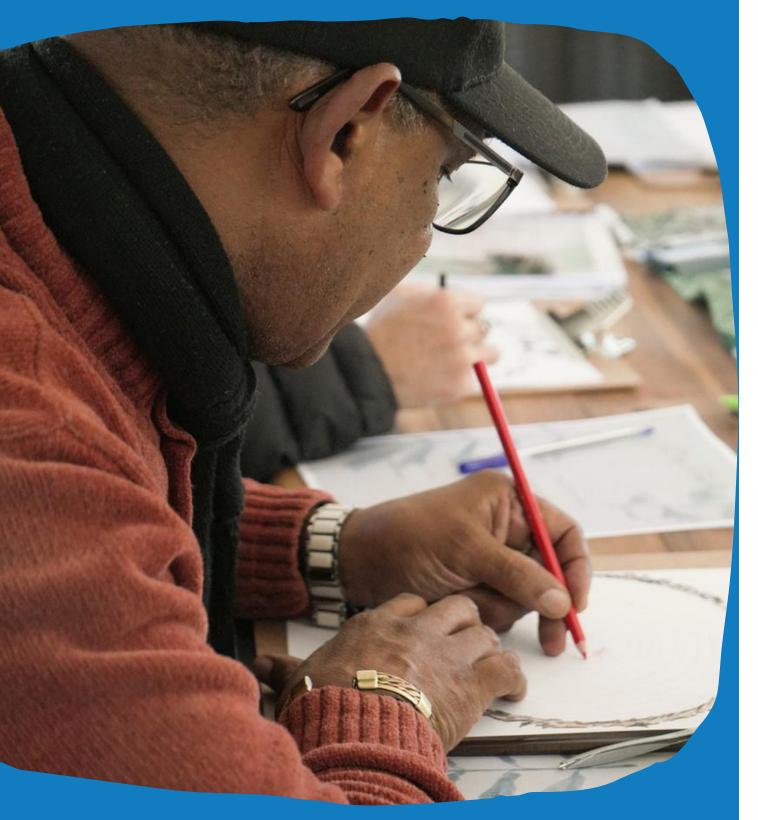
The Journey of Water

November 2022



Celebrating Milestones





Celebrating Milestones
First Harmony Teacher
Training Workshop at

the



Kwendalo[™]
Institute

July 2022

Goals Bahia Formosa Primary 2023



Becoming a Harmony
Accredited school

Develop living learning spaces

Student leadership opportunities





Goals

Kwendalo Institute



Develop Local Harmony
Overviews for Foundation Phase and Beyond

Harmony Teacher Training at the Kwendalo Institute

Point of Entry South African

Harmony School Accreditation

Challenges

& Opportunities

Funding

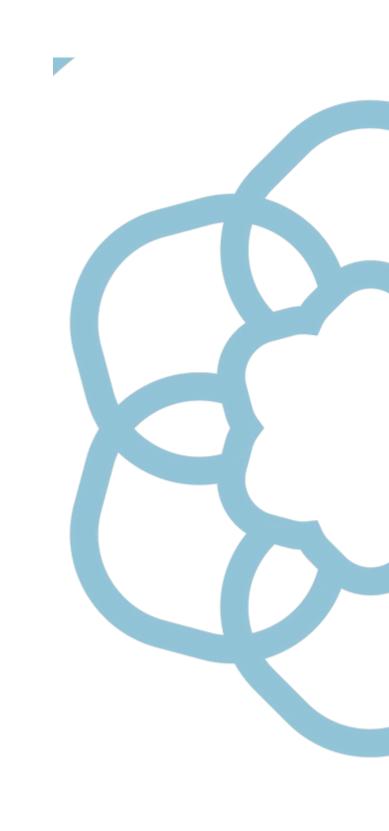
New Partnerships

Diversity

Place based learning

Support

CAPS Intergration





Join our Education Ecosystem



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You

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