



# NEWSLETTER NR. 19 – 2<sup>ND</sup> TERM 2019

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## CONGRATULATIONS

Principal Carina Brown has been appointed as the Western Cape Education Department's Senior Examiner for this year's Final Matric Music Practical Examinations, which will take place from August/September 2019 onwards. We honour you for this extraordinary achievement.

## Conductor's Note

♪♪ To date this year has been jam packed full of performances and events. Thank you students, parents and dedicated staff, for all your hard work and sacrifices.

Our students have all been working very hard for the upcoming Wes-Boland Eisteddfod, which always fills them with great excitement and naturally a bit of nerves.

The courage and pride our students display during Eisteddfod will never cease to amaze me Good luck students and teachers, you make me proud! Carina Brown ♪♪

## Waterfront Performance



On Friday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of April, the senior orchestra had the extraordinary privilege to perform extracts from our production, NotesFromSA, at the 2019 Suidooster Festival Preview Show at the V&A Waterfront.

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## WCYO Suidoosterfees

The West Coast Youth Orchestra delivered an incredible performance during the Suidoosterfees ATKV Choir Gala Finalè at the beautiful historic Cape Town City Hall on Wednesday, 1 May to ministers, mayors, VIPs and other celebrities in a completely booked hall. The Gala ended with a stunning rendition of Leonard Cohen's Hallelujah by West Coast Youth Orchestra, Soprano Janel Speelman, Bariton Bogani Kubheka, 2018 ATKV Musiq winner Cameron Williams on saxophone, all the incredible Suidoosterfees choir winners, accompanied by Chester Williams and led by Mrs. Carina Brown.

Niel Rademan CEO and well-known cabaret singer, choirmaster, director and theater producer, officially welcomed the West Coast Youth Orchestra as a friend of the Suidoosterfees. A privilege that has never been awarded to any other West Coast instrumental group.



## Autumn Notes

The fabulous Junior Jazz Band, under leadership of teacher Marna, opened the Autumn Notes Concert at the Plaasmol, Hopefield, on May the 17th. Audience members enjoyed a relaxing evening of music performances by various orchestras and ensembles.



## Stellenbosch Eisteddfod Senior Orchestra Results:

African Program - SILVER PLUS  
Jazz & Mixed repertoire - 2x GOLD

**Well done to our very young senior orchestra for receiving these fantastic results despite a challenging repertoire**



### Auf Wiedersehen

We are sad to say goodbye to Ms Andrea Hobson, our part-time Brass tutor as well as WCYO Junior Orchestra conductor. She accepted a job opportunity in Germany and will be relocating there in the June holiday. We wish her all the best with this new chapter in her life.

Info about our new Brass tutor will soon be announced.

### Welcome to Mr. Bevan Snyders

A warm welcome to our Violin Tutor, Mr. Bevan Snyders. Bevan is a talented violinist, excellent pianist and vocalist. He has already proven himself to be a huge asset to WCMA and has quickly become part of our family. Bevan has played with the Cape Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, and Cape Philharmonic Orchestra and at Stellenbosch International Chamber Music Festival (SICMF).

He received masterclasses from Alexander Gilman, Suzanne Martens, Alissa Margulis and also performed with Birmingham Conservatoire students before. Bevan is passionate about making a difference in other's lives through music, just as music changed his life!



### Ways you Can Support WCYO

- ♫ Choose or ADD West Coast Youth Orchestra as your beneficiary on your MySchool Card. EVERY SWIPE COUNTS!
- ♫ SMS WCYO to 49333 and support our INSTRUMENT REPAIR FUND with a R 20 single donation
- ♫ Contributions in kind - Donate unused or unwanted instruments to our instrument drive for students in need
- ♫ The WCYO, PBO 132-992 is an approved institution for purposes of section 18(A) of the Income Tax Act, and donations made are tax deductible

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*Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything." — Plato*

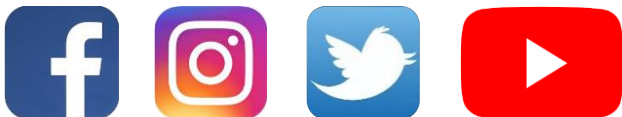


Our **Feeding Scheme** in collaboration with **Woolworths Laguna Mall** is doing well. Currently we supply food aid packets to families in Hopefield, Saldanha, Langebaan as well as food and beverages before and during our outreach programs

## Important Dates

- 10 August** - Junior & Senior Jazz Band Performances at LCE
- 27 July** - West Coast Fossil Park Winter Serenade Concert
- 23 August** - Wes-Boland Eisteddfod participation for all Orchestras /Jazz Bands / Ensembles @ Curro Hall
- 13 September** - Wes-Boland Eisteddfod Prestige Event
- 25 October** - WCYO Concert
- 26 November** - WCMA & WCYO Annual Prize-Giving @ Curro
- 2 & 3 December** - Senior Orchestra Bootcamp

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