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The Senior Orchestra performed at the prestige Oceana Brands Centenary new water desalination plant (Vukuzenzele Amanzi) Launch Celebration at St Helena Bay on 11 July. This very special occasion gave our students the chance to perform to local, provincial and national government officials, media and various VIPs. A truly unforgettable experience!

D'mitri Linnerd (EPWP Employee & 1st Year Diploma in Music student) had the wonderful opportunity to attend the 15th **Stellenbosch International Chamber Music Festival** from 6-15 July.

The Stellenbosch International Chamber Music Festival aims to provide talented young South African musicians with the opportunity to study, perform and be inspired by chamber music and orchestral playing at an internationally recognized and professional standard.

This festival facilitates the growth of young musicians and create opportunities for them to further their music studies, contributing significantly to South Africa's rich and diverse cultural heritage.



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Togryersvlei Performance

The WCYO Senior Orchestra performed at Togryersvlei, Jacobsbaai, on Friday 3 August at a Cheese & Wine function hosted by Saldanha Dutch Reformed Church. With a cosy atmosphere, the audience were entertained with a variety of classical and contemporary repertoire, such as William Tell Overture, Baba Yetu, Pink Panther, Baby Elephant, Billy Jean, Take Five, and many more.

We would like to thank the Togryersvlei Venue for accommodating us, and the Saldanha Dutch Reformed Church for inviting us. It was a very enjoyable performance!

Our orchestras, ensembles and bands once again achieved amazing results at the **Wes-Boland Eisteddfod**, on Friday 24 August.



Junior Orchestra - 1 Cum Laude & 1 Silver
Category winner for Best Junior Orchestra

Senior Orchestra - 4 Cum Laudes
Category winner for Best Open Symphony Orchestra

Senior Jazz Band - 1 Cum Laude, 1 Gold
Category winner for Best High School Band

Junior Jazz Band - Gold

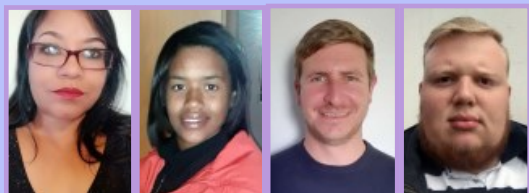
HSH Ensemble - Gold

All Saints Brigade - Gold

Diazville Ensemble - Silver

Many of our WCYO players were also category winners of individual instrumental categories, of which we are also very proud!
Visit www.westcoastmusicacademy.co.za to see all winners.

A **WARM WELCOME** to our new part-time Brass Tutor and Junior Orchestra Conductor, **Andrea Fisher-Jeffes**. Andrea recently took over the reigns from Craig Nicholas. She has a Masters Degree in Music, majoring in Euphonium performance, Brass pedagogy and Composition. She is a renown performer in South Africa and has performed with many Orchestras and Bands. We are privileged to have you, Andrea!



We also welcome two new EPWP participants, **Hellazeen Laing** and **Devlin-Lee Williams**, and to our office staff: **Deon van Rooyen** in logistics and **Kevin Koekemoer** as Intern Tutor.

SAVE THE DATE!

3 November

Performance at Darling Music Academy Prize-Giving

10 November

Community Christmas Concert @ Dutch Reformed Church, Langebaan — featuring WCYO & guest artists

More details will be available soon.

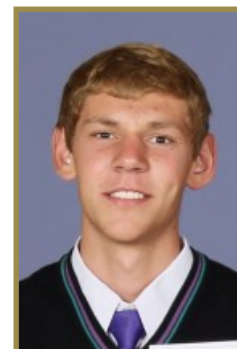
SANYO players

Congratulations to principal double bass player, **Lourens Pretorius**, who was also chosen for the South African National Youth Orchestra with Sarah Kleynhans.

They performed with SANYO in Bloemfontein in the June school holidays.

Sarah, as part of SANYO, also performed with the Minnesota Orchestra, conducted by American, Roderick Cox, from 13-19 August, at the University of Pretoria and Brixton Church in Johannesburg.

They also performed with Coenie de Villiers, Gloria Bosman and Elsabé Zietsman.



In partnership with **WOOLWORTHS FOODS LAGUNA MALL**, we have successfully established a **FEEDING SCHEME** for our students and their families in need of some assistance.

In November and December our scheme weekly supplied food to **nearly 300 children, families, and people in need**. Since the new school year started we also started giving food to students when they attend their classes at our weekly Development Projects, because many of our students have lack of concentration due to hunger. Food parcels for their families are also distributed.

Thank you to the **parents and Curro Primary School prefects** for preparing the Outreach food parcels each week; our anonymous condiment donators and our always ready to help staff for distributing the food parcels. Anyone willing to make a donation, contact Tania at **074 428 2802 / tania@wcyo.org.za**



**Woolworths Laguna Mall,
THANK YOU for supporting our feeding scheme!**

Tertiary Training 2019 applications in collaboration with the **University of Free State** will open soon!

Short Learning Courses (SLC) in the Higher Certificate in Music Performance & Diploma in Music 1 of the University of Free State are taught and examined locally. A variety of subjects are available to choose from as Short Learning Courses, or all subjects can be combined for the Certificate or Diploma courses. This is a fantastic opportunity to obtain a higher education diploma or certificate while receiving University credits and a certificate from the University of Free State after completion. These short learning courses are ideal to do as gap year training, or to be used as a stepping stone towards any other University or College courses, or as stand-alone qualifications and to enrich your knowledge in the field of music.

IMPORTANT: No prior music knowledge required to enter for these courses, but Grade 12 is required.

Enquiries: Carina Brown @ ufs@westcoastmusicacademy.co.za.

Ways You Can Support WCYO

- ♪ Choose or **ADD West Coast Youth Orchestra** as your beneficiary on your **MySchool Card**.
EVERY SWIPE COUNTS!
- ♪ Individuals and corporate companies can **Adopt-a-Musician** in need of financial assistance, as protégé and receive a tax deductible Section 18A Receipt.
- ♪ Make a small monthly contribution of your choice, to our **Friend-of-the-WCYO** campaign and receive a tax deductible Section 18A receipt.
- ♪ Make a once-off **Bona Fide Donation** to the amount of your choice, to the WCYO Development Programs and receive a tax deductible Section 18A Receipt.
- ♪ Contributions in kind: please donate **unused** or **unwanted instruments** to our Development Programs.
- ♪ **SMS WCYO to 49333** and support our **INSTRUMENT REPAIR FUND** with a R 20 single donation.

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