

# KVODU

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newsletter from the **Vlakteplaas skool** De Rust - South Africa

## Road to a new future!

We've completed building at the school, and I wish to thank all our hundreds of sponsors the world over who've made the impossibility of yesterday, the reality of today! Above all, I again salute the donors who laid the major foundations to the future of our children.

*Jans Rautenbach*



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*Theo van Nood &  
Josefien Oude Munnink  
financed the two wings  
of the school*



# Never again to say: “I am hungry...”



*Our daily children feeding and health scheme remain the core of our success.*



Two years ago Willine could hardly see, and now after eye surgery she's smiling at the world.

Jos Nienhuis, Neels Coetzee, Thelma Agulhas, Sannie Britz, Angelita Nienhuis and Linda Felkers.

We thank both Tiger Brands, South Africa; and the Amazing Helping Hand of KarooCare, Holland; here represented by Jos & Angelita Nienhuis on one of their regular visits to the school.



We now even have our own butchery...



# The music never stops...

*Every week national educational visitors to the school cannot believe their ears when the sound of music drifts down the passages into the classrooms. They've never experienced music at a rural primary school, never, ever... Our "orchestra" is to perform publicly at a few venues next year.*



Helga van der Meijden is the major sponsor of the orchestra, and also of the new library to be established early next year.



# Garden of magic...



How fortunate I am to especially congratulate Linda Schoeman & Lisa Cronje for their fantastic wall art; bringing kids from a dull grey world into a garden of magic.



*Often mothers with babies need to do seasonal farm labour to earn a little cash for the house. We now have completed a most modern and efficient day care centre, where children from six to twenty-four months are welcome.*

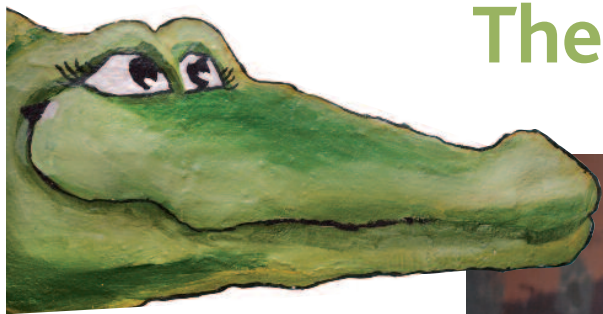


I sincerely thank Paul Whiteley & Viv Norman of Karoocare, London, who've made this centre; our paved parking; roadway; pallisade fencing; and so much else possible.

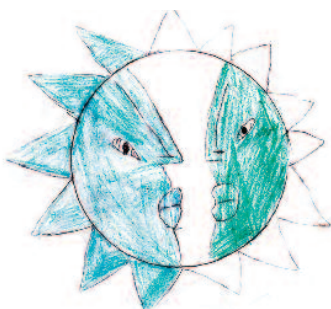




# The crocodile smiles...



*There is also time to  
be child; to be a girl  
blossoming; to laugh  
and joke; and dance;  
and imagine; and to  
dream of tomorrow...*





# Our dream has come true...



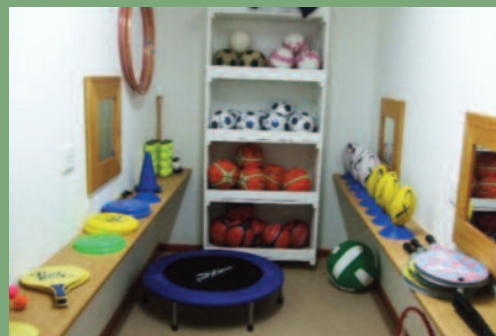
*We now have a netball and basketball court for the joy of all.*

*It was inaugurated by Carolien Kral who especially came from Holland to teach the kids ball skills and gymnastics.*

*What fun they had!*



Sannie Britz (principal) & Carolien Kral



Carolien also gave us a special collection of sports equipment

# The young prepare for another day...

*Our creche and pre-school facility is in full swing, with both teachers, dedicated and trained to lead the small ones to a distant day when they'll be going to the big school; and sit at real desks, and have long pencils and large books to write in...*



Karen Moser & Yves Montangie,  
Antwerp, Belgium.

Staunch supporters of our  
creche, and major financiers  
of our bus expenses.



*We say thank you*



*2010  
We wish all our donors and friends  
a joyful festive season  
and a very special 2010*

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