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Term 1 & Term 2 Progress Report

Thanks to the wonderful contribution from The Light From Africa Project, The Peter Clarke Art Centre and The Peter Clarke's Ibhathane Project was able to provide quality arts education to the following five Primary Schools in Term 1 and 2 of 2021.

1. Steenberg Primary School in Steenberg, Cape Town
2. Intshinga Primary School in Gugulethu, Cape Town
3. Parkfields Primary School in Hanover Park, Cape Town
4. Norma Road Primary School in Athlone, Cape Town
5. Xolani Primary School in Gugulethu, Cape Town

50 Grade 4/5/6/7 learners from each school, were bussed from their school to the Peter Clarke Art Centre in Newlands for a relaxing, exciting, fun morning of making art from 09h00 to 12h30 once a term. The principal of Steenberg Primary School opted for five Peter Clarke art Centre teachers to use their school campus as the venue for these free lessons.

Due to COVID-19 protocol the art centre is currently working on a 1 to 10 teacher-learner ratio. Sanitizing, screening and social distancing plays a very big role in the transportation and lessons to these learners.

All the schools have the option to provide the art centre with a theme of their choice or a theme according to the art teacher's interpretation of the Creative Arts - Visual Art CAPS curriculum.

Steenberg Primary School

Term 1 - 26 March 2021

Five Peter Clarke Art Centre teachers visited the Gr 4 and Gr 5 learners at Steenberg Primary School. The teachers created fun lessons about proteas, flower still lifes and Pop Art inspired dogs on mats. The skills which were developed included colour theory and pattern making. The art materials used included watercolour paint, acrylic ink, wax crayons, acrylic paint and permanent markers.



Term 2 - 28 May 2021

Six Peter Clarke Art Centre teachers visited the school for a second time this year. The lesson was prepared for 60 Grade 4/5 learners around the theme - Lettering, Patterns and Body Mapping. The art educators explored ways in which to combine these themes into colourful and creative lessons.



The learners painted with inks, acrylics and drew in colour chalks and oil pastels.

Intshinga Primary School -

Term 1 - 23 March 2021

50 Grade 5 and 6 learners visited The Peter Clarke Art Centre for a morning of creative play. They learn predominantly in their home language of isiXhosa. Their Creative Arts - Visual Art teacher joins our classes and participates in the art lesson as support in language and as a form of INSET training for the teacher.

The themes for these lessons were left open and the PCAC teachers had free reign to explore different art mediums and subject matters as seen with the variety below and to the left.



Term 2 - 4 June 2021

The school requested “Line and Balance” as the theme of their lesson on the 4th of June 2021. This varied theme gave the art teachers the opportunity to experiment with various techniques to achieve a three-dimensional feel to the artworks.

The artworks ranged from three dimensional mobiles focusing on balance, contour line drawings to suggest three dimensionality on a two - dimensional surface and even models of play parks constructed with paper, glue and string to focus on the use of line.



Parkfields Primary School

Term 1 - 29 March 2021

Fifty Grade 6 learners and five art teachers had so much fun in Term 1 by exploring the delightful theme of "Walking a dog".



Term 2 - 7 and 17 June 2021

Fifty Grade 6 learners from Parkfields Primary School visited the art centre on 7 June 2021 and another group of 50 on 17 June 2021. In total 100 learners from Parkfields Primary attended a good quality art lesson at the centre this term.

The school requested the theme to be "Mandalas and Radial Balance". The art centre teachers chose printmaking and paper collage as mediums in which to explore the theme. The results were paper protea mandalas, polystyrene printed mandalas, magazine collage mandalas, colour wheel mandalas and insect and lizard pattern mandalas. All the artworks were assessed by their class teachers according to the official CAPS practical rubric.



Norma Road Primary School

Term 1 - 16 March 2021

Grade 6 learners from Norma Road Primary School had the opportunity to explore the themes of flower arrangements, floral still lifes on tessellated backgrounds and the wonderful world of pandas in Term 1 of 2021.



Term 2 - 9 June 2021

Norma Road Gr 5's visited PCAC. The theme was left open and therefore the PCAC teachers decided to play with the themes of goldfish, birds and flowers. The results were so successful and the learners were incredibly proud of their work.



Xolani Primary School

Learners attending Xolani Primary School predominantly learn in their mother tongue, isiXhosa which creates a slight language barrier. This however gives both teachers and learners an opportunity to practise each other's languages.

Term 1 - 10 March and 24 March 2021

The Peter Clarke's Ibhathane Project have created special mural projects at Steenberg Primary School, Parkfields Primary School and at Norma Road in the past. It was this tradition of mural making that led to the decision to install a small mural on the Xolani PS campus in 2021.

After a site visit and consultation with the principal of the school it was decided that the mural will take place in two phases.

Phase one will consist of beautiful protea paintings to be installed on the support staff storeroom walls to create the feeling of a beautiful flower garden.

Phase two will consist of the silhouettes of learners holding decorative shapes and the letters to spell the name of the school.

In preparation for this process fifty Grade 5 learners visited the art centre on 10 March and 24 March 2021 to do the groundwork of the planned mural. Thirty learners focussed on proteas as a theme, ten on silhouettes and body proportion and ten on decorative lettering to create the name of the school.



Teachers Sally, Ellzette and Catherine worked on the proteas mural which included sesweswe patterning and bright colourful pincushions and proteas on vinyl material.



The sesweswe patterns were printed onto vinyl by using engraved geometric patterning on styrofoam and acrylic ink.



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Xolani Primary Mural installation (phase one) - 12/13/14 March 2021

The installation of the mural took place over three consecutive mornings.

On morning one, 12 March 2021, art centre support staff used a high pressure hose to clean the building surface to prepare it for the official installation the next day.



A team of 12 Peter Clarke Art Centre staff members came together on morning two, 13 March 2021, to first place the protea artworks on the wall surface to create a composition.



As soon as all involved were satisfied with the composition the installation commenced, where all the mural components were fixed to the wall surface with acrylic paste.



The team decided to paint the door green, the gutters blue and window sills white to create unity and an aesthetically pleasing finished look.



A layer of acrylic glaze was painted over all the surfaces on the third morning, 14 March 2021. The acrylic glaze serves as extra protection against the weather elements and to ensure that the mural keeps its colour and shine.



The learners were so proud to see their own work decorate a building at their school.

The principal of the school, Mrs Sakasa is currently seeking funding to install artificial grass around the building to finish off the “garden look” and to indirectly create a safe space for the learners where they can sit during break times and admire their artworks.

Phase two of the mural will be installed later in 2021 or early 2022.

Term 2 - 10 June 2021

Peter Clarke's Ibhathane aims to expose as many learners as possible to a variety of materials during its outreach art lessons.

Fifty Xolani Gr 6 and 7 learners attended a once off art lesson on 10 June 2021 at the art centre to create fifty clay tiles that together spell the official school values eg. integrity, innovation, competence and accountability.

These tiles will go through a bisque firing, followed by a glazing phase before they will be permanently installed on the Xolani Primary School campus in Term 3 of 2021.



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