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April Newsletter

We are delighted to launch our first newsletter for 2018. We would like to take the opportunity of wishing you the very best for the months ahead!

Let's take a look at our journey into 2K18 thus far...

EVENTS THAT TOOK PLACE IN 2018

- Special Olympics
- Valentines Ball
- Michelle 30th Birthday
- Athletics Advancement Games-Jiswa Special School
- Yiannis competes in the Midmar Mile
- Acts Church – Act of Love
(Pictures to follow)



A huge Thank You SHOUT OUT to Hirsch for Training our House Assistants!



WE ARE PROUD OF OUR NEW SERVICES

- The Occupational Therapist has joined the Cresset House staff team on 1 February 2018 and is at the Workshop three times per week
- The workshop is getting a new look with new energy and we are inviting you to be part of this change by assisting with donating one/some of the following much-needed arts, craft and creative tools. See list on Page 2.

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We are excited to report that our Workshop is getting a new look. Following a list of much-needed items. Please see where/how/with what you can assist/make a contribution;

WORKSHOP NEEDS LIST

- Educational posters- (e.g. fruit and vegetable posters, Emotions poster, etc.)
- Pool Noodles
- Feltboards & Felt pictures (E.g. The Family and The Body)
- 'Lego'-like plastic bricks, good quality
- Packets of lego-like bricks
- Playdough 'garlic-like' presses to strengthen hands
- Jumbo chalk for drawing outdoor Hop Scotch on paving
- A good selection of stencils
- Coloured wooden sticks for crafts and making small motor threading games
- Plastic storage jars with lids (for beads and various construction toys that are purchased without storage containers)
- Flat stackable plastic storage boxes of various sizes
- Stacking boxes with click catches to seal and close
- Artificial flowers (for arranging in vases with florist oasis for a fun fine-motor activity)
- Wonderful plastic construction type activities that can be used for sorting and building e.g. Dizzy Discs, Beads for threading, cotton reels, Rings & loops, building puzzle type blocks. Storage jars for these because they come in plastic bags.
- Stress balls
- Small hoops for outdoor activities
- Touch and Count Cubes

GENERAL

- TUT students-Cresset House has a small scale agricultural project that focuses on crop production, mainly organic farming and the principles involved.

Every year the (TUT) university will give the organisation final year students from crop sciences department for them to achieve their goals. The students are given an opportunity to complete their one year experiential learning (EXP) with the organisation. EXP is a prerequisite for a final year student before graduating the following year. The students are taught basic farm production, skills transfer related to crop production and basic office administration. Further more students get a feel for the general working environment and what their future employers will be looking for in them. In addition Cresset House offers accommodation for these students. The relationship between Cresset and TUT is friendly.

- We won the fight against Rabbits- appears as if we are now a "rabbit free zone"

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Parents/Guardian Meeting (05/05/2018)
- AGM (18/08/2018)
- Villager Outing (TBA)
- Special Olympics (Ongoing)
- Thank You Lotto- Training of Unemployed Women
- Group Sessions with Villagers (Monthly)
- Woollies Raffle for sponsorships/donations
- Art Classes with Zen Rankin (Once per month)
- Activity Kits sponsored by a Group of retired teachers

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