

UKUWELA IINDABA QUARTERLY IMPACT DECEMBER 2025

Winding down for the year? Not us! Not with our energetic learners!



This term, our work exposure program saw our senior girls working like the champs they are at Norgarivier Nursery. This Nursery was such a great find for Ukuwela! Our boys did not back down and packed, stacked and stocked shelves at the Pick and Pay Family Centre here in George. Boys, you did us proud!



ABOVE: OUR SENIOR GIRLS (LEFT) IS ALL BUSINESS AT NORGARIVIER NURSERY AND OUR SENIOR BOYS (RIGHT) GOT RIGHT INTO IT AT PICK AND PAY FAMILY CENTRE

Keagan Prins, school leaver and superhero, recently honed his barista and deli skills at The Fat Fork and was supported by the loveliest team who welcomed him with open arms!

We are so excited to announce that Dimitri Vaaltyn was offered a paid work experience opportunity at the Engen Take-Away and Restaurant in Albertinia where he volunteered for the past three months! Hard work pays off.



ABOVE RIGHT: WE TOLD YOU THEY WERE LOVELY! PROUD OF YOUR HARD WORK AT THE FAT FORK, KEAGAN!

Tywineesha Stoffels's internship was also extended at the George Vehicle Registration office where she has been making a valuable and positive contribution over the past six months. Well done Tywineesha!

Old boy Joshua Speelman was up for the challenge and recently commenced a learnership in New Venture Creation at Africa Skills. Good luck for the journey Joshua, you've got this!

Trailblazer Andisiwe Mbexa received her Vasbyt Award on the 8th of December marking her one-year employment journey at Mungo. Andisiwe, we wish you many more happy years of doing what you love!

Our friends at NQtac Hospitality reached out to us and facilitated a fantastic Break Baking Workshop with 15 of our senior learners. Our daily bread has never smelled or tasted this good! Thank you for making us part of your community outreach!



**ABOVE RIGHT: ONE YEAR OF EMPLOYMENT AND OUR ANDISIWE IS LOOKING FANTASTIC!
BELOW LEFT AND RIGHT: OUR LEARNERS LOVED EVERY MOMENT OF MAKING, BAKING
AND TASTING THEIR HOMEMADE BREAD!**



Taking stock of the year is a necessary magic, which we love sharing!

96 Attendances were recorded of learners participating in work exposure opportunities across 6 different workplaces and industries.

Four different skills training short courses were presented by accredited training providers with a total of 70 attendances recorded.

To date, 57 of our learners have accessed jobs through the Ukuwela program! The impact can easily be multiplied by 4 taking the average number of people per household into account.

Yet the real magic lies not in the numbers but in a young person who, against the odds, develop as a worker, a contributor and an inspiration. And we have you, our supporters, to thank for it! Thank you to the businesses who gave our learners a chance, the school who backs us all the way, our donors for their invaluable support and the Ukuwela Team members for their positive energy, patience and grit!

It is time to turn the lights down, put your feet up, fill your coffee mug and take a moment of gratitude for every good thing that happened this year.



A final word to 2025: What a beauty you turned out to be!

May you and your loved ones be showered with blessings of peace this festive season!

Greetings,

 *The Ukuwela Team*
