## Jubilee Excellence Schools

# SHILOH JES

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Schools Excellence Jubilee

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# JES CURRICULUM

The question is not can we afford to ***invest*** in children...

The question is can we afford ***not to*** invest ***in children.***

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# Our Motto:
# Beauty Excellence Order

The JES curriculum implemented with beauty, excellence and order has proven to be successful in preparing learners from a previously disadvantaged community not only for school but for life. This affirms our belief that you cannot take a child out of a squatter camp and teach him in a squatter crèche, this will not instil the crucial principle that he has value and therefore should be treated as such. The idea to roll out more Jubilee Excellence Schools (JES) is a critical part of our mission.

Why the JES curriculum?

- Benefit to the teachers
- Benefit to the learners
- Equipment
- Focus on holistic learning

Our aim is to uplift children and therefore the community in a holistic way addressing physical, emotional, mental, intellectual and spiritual needs to become self-motivated and self-empowered members of society.

Characteristics which are given attention in this curriculum is promoting a healthy self-image, inner motivation, inner discipline and independence.

A JES school adds value to a community in the following areas:

1. Unemployed women from the community are trained as teachers giving them hope and a better future.

2. Children are prepared for life, rather than merely for school-readiness by the development of:
- Independence
- Self-discipline
- Self-motivation

3. Thriving, happy children, less children on the streets contributing to satisfied parents and family.

4. The larger community benefit through the following upliftment projects running at the JES Pre-School / Community Centre:
- Healthy nutrition
- Handwork skills
- Computer training
- Literacy classes
- Sports training
- Entrepreneurial project assistance
- Bible study classes
- Drug rehabilitation

The above mentioned is demonstrated at our pioneer school Klippie Kids Pre School in Klipheuwel near Cape Town.

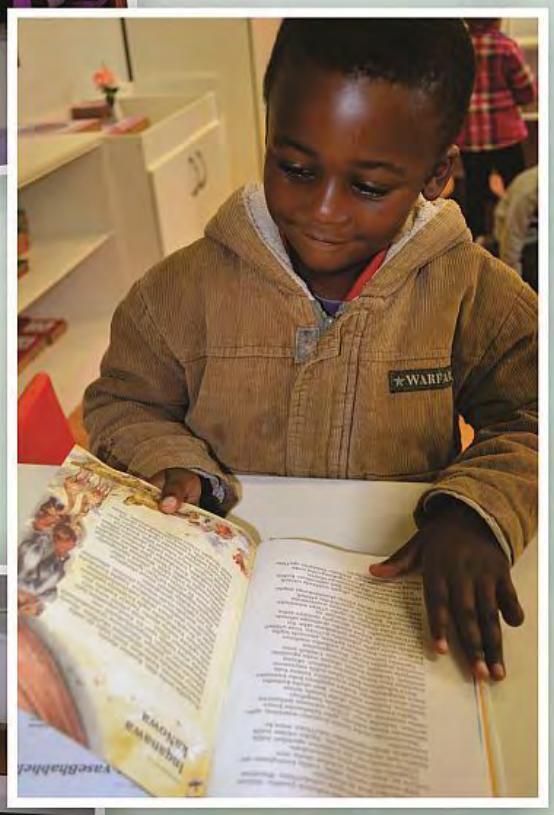
We believe education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world.

It is not what you do for your children, but what you have taught them to do for themselves, that will make them successful human beings.
-Maria Montessori

We would like to introduce you to the magnitude of the potential wrapped up in a Jubilee Excellence School.

# Inroduction

*Our Biblical foundation is crucial*



Pre-school child reading from a children's Bible

Everything has it's place
Respect for equipment and others

The teachers are led by the child's needs. Teachers work on a one to one basis.

beauty

excellence

order

Freedom of choice within boundaries

Never disturb anyone's concentration

# Six areas in the classroom

Cultural

Sensorial

Mathematics

Language

Practical life

Art

# Cultural area

*Based on the story of creation as in the Bible*

Improving childrens' general knowledge

Learning about the different continents.

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Types of birds

love joy peace

Earth layers

Needs of man: classification of communication and transport

Examples from nature

# Practical Life

fun

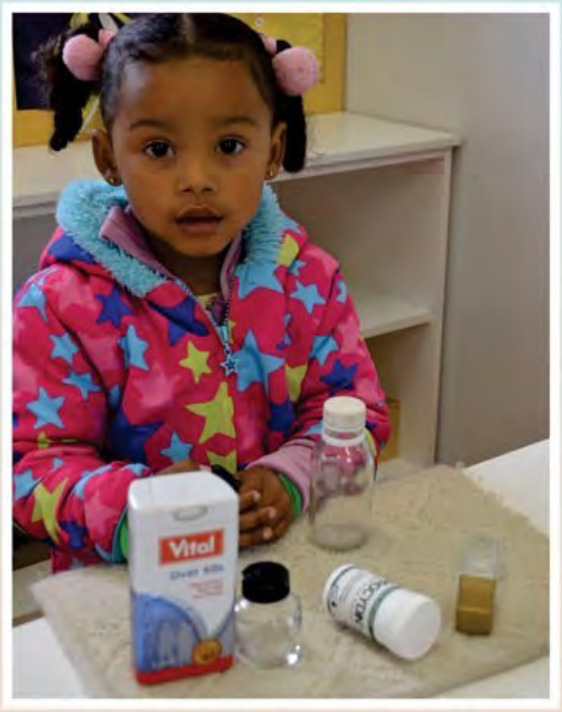
Never help a child with a task at which he feels he can succeed.
- Maria Montesorri

It is fun learning to do chores!

Making fresh orange juice

*Fine motoric development*

Developing our fine motor muscles




Opening and closing empty containers

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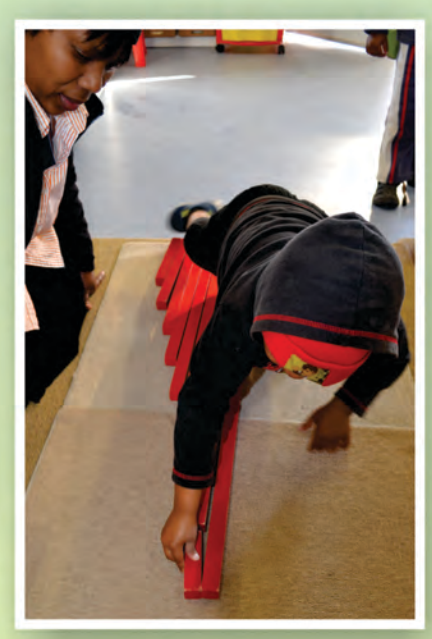
Sifting sand and learning new textures

# Sensorial

Measuring



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Constructive triangles

Geometric solids

# focussed

Knobbed cylinders: dimensions

Metal insets

# concentration

Different shades of colours

# Mathematics

Learning the symbols of numbers

$1 \times 1 = 1$
$2 \times 2 = 4$
$3 \times 3 = 9$
$4 \times 4 = 16$

$5 + 5 = 10$
$6 + 6 = 12$
$7 + 7 = 14$

10 40
20 50
30 60

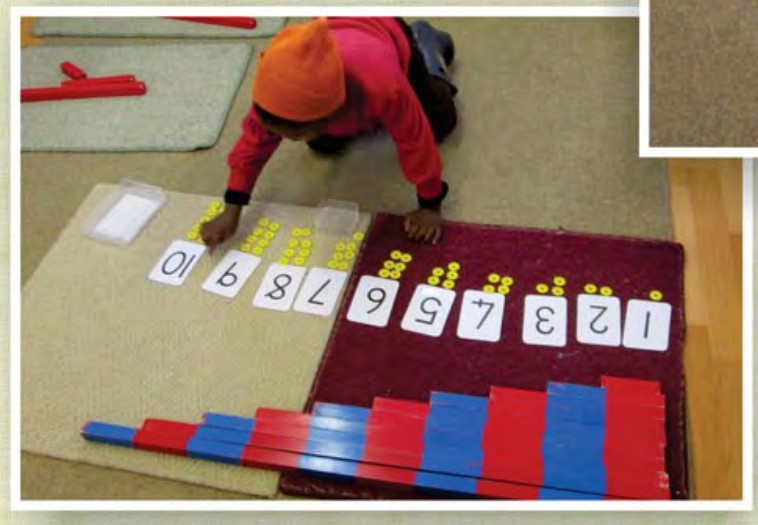
Teaching; the zero is a placeholder

1

10

100

1 2 3 4
5 6 7 8
9 10

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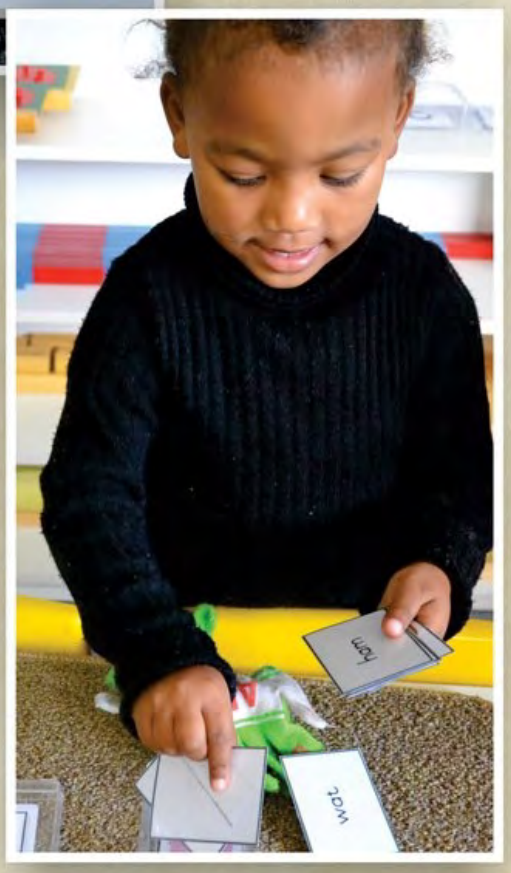
# Language

Writing




Reading sight words

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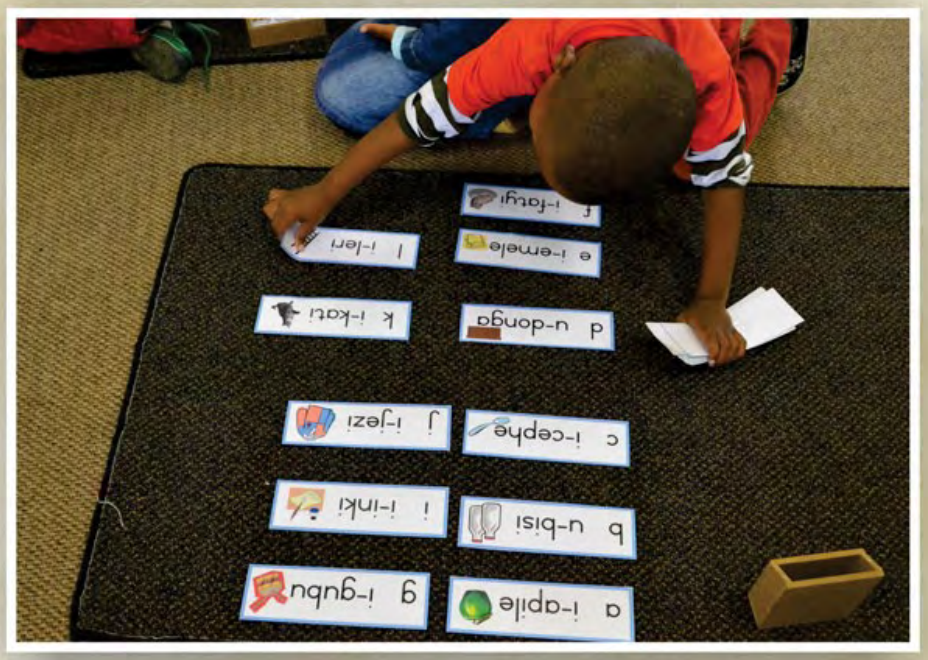
Learning to write my own name

Language enrichment describing a picture




Reading sight words

# Art

Expressing

Creative

talents

# Outdoor play

## Developing gross motoric skills

Balancing: gross motoric development

# JES Training

A teacher proudly receive her certificate for completing the JES curriculum and a certificate in First Aid training.

Ladies from the school's local community need to successfully complete a ten week course to become JES teachers.

**Some general comments made by parents:**

- We clean our house every evening before going to bed since our child is used to the neat and clean environment at Klippie Kids.
- We pray before every meal as this is how it is done at school.
- Our child noticed that our garden is not as neat and beautiful as the garden at school so we started to put effort into creating a neat and beautiful garden at our house.
- One of the moms mentioned at the parent teacher meeting that because her child was taught to peel vegetables, she is able to attend the meeting because her children are preparing the vegetables so that she can just go home and cook dinner.
- A mom mentioned that her child is happy, healthy, dry and fed when she gets home. Her daughter keeps singing gospel songs so her mom made a recording which she now uses as her ringtone.
- One child does not want to go to bed in the evening before they clean the kitchen.
- A mom thanked the school on Facebook for the positive change she noticed in her child after having attended Klippie Kids for only three weeks.
- One of the moms hikes to school with her child because the bus service was cancelled. She refuses to let this hurdle keep her children from receiving the valuable education they deserve.
- One child asked: "Mom why do you not wash your hands after going to the bathroom?"
- One of the children confronted her mother when she started shouting at the child. The child stated that her mother does not need to shout at her but should rather just explain calmly what she wanted.
- One of the mothers bought her child water boots and was so pleased when the child came and thanked her for the beautiful boots.

**Parent's testimonies about their children's development at Klippie Kids**

- Bre-Jane's (Grade R) mother, Joanne Farao mentioned that she saw a drawing on Facebook drawn by her child. She had tears in her eyes because she felt so proud of her daughter's development at Klippie Kids.
- Ande Mhlaba, a grade R learner's mother mentioned that Ande enjoys it so much at school that she wants to go to school all day every day. She also mentioned that her child can already write both her names and that she is very proud of Ande.
- Leechanté Mitchells a grade R learner's mother (Lisby Mitchells) thanked the school for teaching her child to choose her own clothes and dress herself. She also mentioned that her child can now write both her names.
- Abraham November mentioned that both his children who are 5 years old learnt to speak Xhosa at school. He is so proud of his children and thankful that they have acquired this valuable skill.

# Education is not received it is achieved.

Testimony of Jeanette Moos, principal at 'Klippie Kids' at Klipheuwel.

Jeanette Moos (46) could not believe it when she heard that she had passed matric. After 18 months of studying she had finally done it and would receive her diploma. She was very excited and told everyone that this would be her big day. She even had matching outfits made for herself and her husband.

She was overcome with joy when her name was called out to receive her diploma. She knew that the Lord had blessed her and that He should receive all honour.

Jeanette is the eldest of 6 children and because her mom was a live-in domestic worker they had to stay with her grandmother. She had to take care of her brothers and sisters and got up at 5 am to catch the train at 6 which she rode to school.

After getting home at 4pm she had to complete her homework and give the younger children some attention. They struggled financially and getting money for the train daily was very challenging. She wore the same cream coloured dress to school every day because they did not have money for a uniform.

Later they moved to a one bedroom house, but her mother was still a live-in domestic worker and she had to manage all tasks at her house. Jeanette says: I left school after completing the 7th grade. I was lucky to find employment at a large company but had a huge inferiority complex when talking with other people. I felt stupid for not having completed matric.

One day I was called in and they told me to take evening classes at Pentec. The first time I walked into the class I thought to myself that I must be crazy since I had only completed grade 7. I prayed for determination and peace to carry on.

Starting off was very difficult but things soon got better. When I wrote my first test I got 70% and told myself that one day I will complete matric. I kept on dreaming, believing in myself and telling myself that I can do it.

Nothing is impossible for God. Doors started opening for me. I studied part time to finish matric and then became a teacher after which I became the principal of a Pre-School of excellence.

Currently I am also training other people to become teachers at Pre-Schools. I have learnt not to doubt my abilities and to forget about negative remarks from other people.

Revelations 3:8 says: "See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut."

This piece of scripture carried and inspired me to trust in God, but also to trust in myself.

I know that I can do all this through Him who gives me strength. The biggest blessing to me is that I now am in a position to make a difference in other people's lives.

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The greatest gifts we can give our children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence

-Maria Montessori

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