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Children of Africa Ltd

This month we received lots of photos and thank you notes from the books distributed throughout Port Elizabeth. Enjoy.

Uuiwe Child & Youth Services received ABCA books from the Union of Jewish Women in Port Elizabeth, which they distributed to schools and communities in Schauderville and Gelvandale.

Uuiwe focus on vulnerable children and youth, and run programmes for early childhood development, afterschool care, awareness and literacy, and they also provide food, safety and educational support. They enable students to reach their full potential, and equip teens with life skills so that they can become economically active citizens. Uuiwe believe that we need to listen and hear the untold or silent stories of many 'at risk' children and youth in the communities.

Thank you to the Union of Jewish Women for distributing ABCA books, and to Uuiwe for reaching the schools who are in desperate need of these books!



A photograph of three young children sitting at a wooden table outdoors, looking at an open book. The child on the left is wearing a dark grey hoodie. The child in the middle is wearing a bright orange hoodie and has an orange flower-shaped hair accessory. The child on the right is wearing a dark blue hoodie with pink text that includes 'GIRLS' and 'LEA'. They are all looking intently at the book. The background shows a wooden structure and a view of mountains and trees under a clear sky.

THANK YOU

Shelford Girls' Grammar Shed Visit

On Thursday 24 November we were excited to welcome a group of 8 Year 9 Shelford Girls' Grammar students with their 2 high-energy teachers to our ABCA shed to help us pack 30 boxes for our next shipment to Africa.

The volunteering session was organised by the school as part of "Environmental/Sustainability Week".

The group arrived at the Shed bright and early with boxes of used books which they collected. They were introduced to our charity, we discussed why we do what we do and specifically, in line with their current studies, the importance of not pulping pre-loved books but rather sending books to be enjoyed by our communities in Africa.

The girls sorted, stamped and packed in record time!

Thank you - it was a pleasure to spend time with you.





Thank you to Grill'd Windsor

Thank you to everyone who supported us in the Grill'd Local Matters program - we were runners up!



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**Our Grill'd jar was
runner up!**

**Thank
you!**

ABCA NEWS



2022 Wandika Literacy Competition winners

The Wandika Literacy Initiative (Uganda) was founded by Mr. Simpson Muhwezi who also acts as its Creative Director. The mission of The Wandika Literacy Initiative is to use story-writing to help children develop their critical thinking and problem solving skills; the skills Mr Simpson strongly believes are vital not only for their academic performance but also their survival and prosperity in the 21st Century. He curates the initiative's flagship programme, Wandika Children's Writing Prize, an annual creative writing competition. He is also a writer, of mainly children's stories.

Mr Simpson believes that "A child who reads and writes regularly will most likely be more confident, think faster and express themselves better."

ABCA is a proud supporter of the Wandika Literacy Competition.

WANDIIKA CHILDREN'S WRITING PRIZE 2021-2022 WINNERS

1st	<i>The Strong Men</i>	Nuwagira Cirus, St Jude Primary School - Naggulu
2nd	<i>The Old Woman</i>	Nankusu Rihana, Masanafu C.O.U Primary School
3rd	<i>Careless Boys</i>	Umwari Dianah, Masanafu C.O.U Primary School
4th	<i>A Thief in a Certain Market</i>	Agono Melissa Martha, Makerere Primary School
5th	<i>Regan The Thief</i>	Nakiyemba Peace, Makerere Primary School



CONGRATULATIONS!



From the organisers:

We're pleased to announce the winners of the Wandika Prize 2021-2022 edition. The five stories have been carefully selected from a shortlist of twelve.

1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners will have their stories developed and published as books.

We will reach out to the 4th and 5th place winners in case an opportunity to publish their stories becomes available.

Prizes and certificates for our winners and shortlisted writers shall be delivered (details to be communicated in due course).

Congratulations to these young authors, and kudos to the rest of the 152 school children from different regions of Uganda who participated.

Special appreciation to our judges and independent readers for their time and dedication.

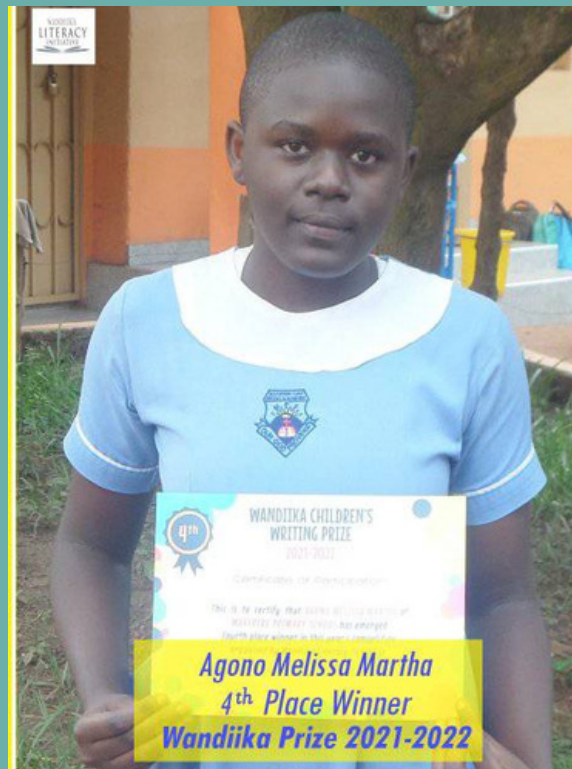
Thanks to our friends at ABCA too for our continued collaboration.



The winner:
Cirus Nuwagira



3rd place:
Diana Umwari



4th place:
Melissa Martha Agono

Thank you from Paterson High School

Thank-you letter and photo from Paterson High School in Schauderville in Port Elizabeth. Books were distributed to them through Uviwe.



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28th October 2022

Dear Madam

APPRECIATION FOR DONATION OF BOOKS

We would herewith like to extend our heartfelt gratitude towards you for the kind donation of books to our school.

We are stocking our library and we know that these books will be well received by our learners and staff. In our pursuit to improve languages, we know the importance of reading and that is why this donation means such a lot to the school.

We thank you from the bottom of our hearts. May you be blessed. Please also find photos attached.

Kind regards

R.M DE DONCKER
PRINCIPAL

Nelson Mandela University, Business and Economic Sciences Faculty

The Union of Jewish Women donated books to their Engagement and Transformation Committee book drive.

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Friday, November 11, 2022 12:02 PM

Good Day,

I hope this email finds you well.

The Nelson Mandela University, Business and Economic Sciences Faculty Engagement and Transformation Committee would like to thank you with all our hearts for your generous and loving donation to our Book Drive.

We are so excited for the children and will send pictures when they receive it.

Thank you once again!!

Kind regards,

Andrea Govender

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Thank you letter from Enkwenkwezini Public Primary School

Below is a thank-you letter from Enkwenkwezini Public Primary School in Port Elizabeth. Books were donated to them through Ikhala Trust.



9.11.2022

Dear Elaine

The above mentioned school wishes to extend a sincere word of gratitude for the books donate by your trust as per Australian books for children of Africa. The books will be beautiful to the learners at large.

Kind regards

Mr N.S. Henna(Principal)

Thank you letter from Ikhala Trust in Port Elizabeth

Thank-you letter from Ikhala Trust in Port Elizabeth. UJW donated ABCA books to them for their community projects in the Eastern Cape.



Money follows good things

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31st October 2022

The Jewish Women's Association
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Dear Elaine

Subject: **Donation of Books**

On behalf of the community projects who will be receiving the generous donation of books, we wish to place on record our sincere thank you and gratitude to JWA as well as the Australian Books for Children of Africa who enabled this to happen.

We appreciate the fact that you have identified Ikhala Trust as a worthy partner to collaborate with. We know that the recipients who will be from different parts of the Eastern Cape.

Yours in grassroots development

Bernie Dolley (Mrs)
Director

Thank you letter from Kid-Cave Academy

Thank-you letter from Kid-Cave Academy in Schauderville, Port Elizabeth. The books were delivered to them by Uviwe.



43 Jameson Road
Schauderville
Port Elizabeth
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13 October 2022

Good Day

I hereby wish to express my sincere gratitude for the beautiful books we received from yourselves. These books will bring much joy to our little ones. Once again, thank you so much for your generous donation.

Kind regards

Yours faithfully

ASHLEIGH HAWKINS
PRINCIPAL

Book delivery to Twinkle Daycare

ABCA books were distributed to Twinkle Daycare by Uviwe.

Uviwe try to take photos excluding the children's faces if they do not have written consent to take their photo, especially if the children are registered with their organisation.

Dear Madam

Thank you so much for your generous donation of books to Twinkle Daycare.

The children love the colourful pictures and rhymes and they also enjoy listening to the stories.

The books are great resources to stimulate the childrens intellectual development.

From all of us at Twinkle Daycare a much appreciated Thank You.

Sincerely

Charlene Robertson



Book delivery to De Vos Malan Primary School

Photos from De Vos Malan Primary School in Schauderville, Port Elizabeth.

Books were delivered by Uviwe



Book delivery to David Livingstone High School

Photos and thank you note from David Livingstone High School.

Books were delivered by Uviwe

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16 NOVEMBER 2022

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

We wish to express our sincere gratitude for the books donated to our school. Our learners will most definitely benefit from it as it will play a vital role in improving their reading skills.

We are in the process of starting a book club to encourage more learners to gain knowledge and improve their vocabulary through reading books. Your donation is therefore most welcome.

Yours in Education


J. Draai

(Principal)

M. De Monk


(Educator)

*Strewe altyd na die beste.
Always strive for the best.*



Book delivery to David Livingstone High School



St James High School in Port Elizabeth students with their ABCA books. The books were delivered by Uviwe.

Books distributed to Leadworks Community Knowledge Centre

Siyafunda Community Technology Centre received ABCA books a few months ago. They distributed some of these books to Leadworks Community Knowledge Centre in Cosmo City, Johannesburg. Leadworks CKC is a community organisation that offers computer training facilities and other courses for disadvantaged people, to empower them for work opportunities. They also offer computer training, literacy help and aftercare for children in the area.



Early Childhood Development Centre in Tarkastad, Eastern Cape

Fingertips of Africa set up an early childhood development centre at a crèche in Tarkastad in the Eastern Cape. This crèche was being run by an elderly lady out of her RDP 'house', which had no basic necessities. There are about 55 children at the crèche and they each pay R4.50 (about 40 Australian cents) per day.

Fingertips of Africa packed a truck in Johannesburg – which included ABCA books, dry-good groceries, early childhood games, clothes, blankets, tables and chairs, cutlery and crockery, sleeping mats, a jungle gym and other play equipment – and travelled to Tarkastad. There they built two Zozo shacks, to be used as a classroom and storage facility, and set up the crèche donations.

They celebrated the day by singing and dancing with the community, and enjoying a hot meal together. They also organised a birthday cake and party for a young boy who had never received a cake or present before.

ABCA are very happy to have been part of this great contribution to the community in Tarkastad. (There are no photos of the ABCA books – as they are included in the parcels that were delivered.)



After-school programme in Naledi, Soweto

Fingertips of Africa support an after-school programme in Naledi, Soweto, where they distributed ABCA books. The children are 3 to 14 years old, and come to the programme after school for help with homework and a meal. The programme is run by a woman who lost her job due to Covid.

We are happy to have supplied ABCA books to the programme for the children to read!



After-school programme in Alexandra township

Fingertips of Africa distributed ABCA books to an after-school programme for children, 3 to 14 years old, in Alexandra township, Johannesburg.

The programme is run by a young man, Mandla, who lost his job due to Covid. The children are given a meal when they arrive, and are looked after and helped with their homework. Fingertips of Africa support the programme and supply them with food.

We are very happy that the children now have ABCA books to read!

