

THE GROVE SCHOOMBEE FOUNDATION NPC

DAYBREAK HOUSE TURNS 2 YEARS OLD

"AT DAYBREAK HOUSE, NIGHT'S SORROW FADES - JOY AWAKENS WITH THE MORNING'S RAYS. WELCOME TO YOUR NEW BEGINNING!"

Celebrating two years of love, safety and hope!

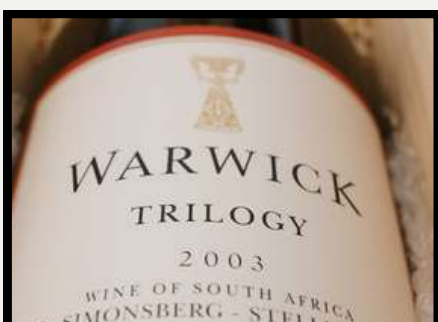
In June, Daybreak turned two years old, two beautiful years of being a safe place for babies. Since opening our doors, we've had the honour of loving, nurturing, and protecting some of the most vulnerable babies who have been abandoned or whose families are unable to care for them.

At Daybreak House, every giggle, cuddle, milestone, and smile is a step toward healing and hope. Our passionate team is committed to providing each baby with the warmth of a family, the rhythm of daily care and joy. From sensory play and story time to outdoor strolls and playtime with volunteers, our babies are surrounded by love daily.

This newsletter is a window into our world, a space where we'll share stories, events, fundraisers, and milestones that make Daybreak House such a special place.

Thank you for being part of our journey. Whether you've donated, prayed, volunteered, or cheered us on, you are helping us carry hope, one baby at a time.





AUCTION GALA EVENING 1 MARCH 2025

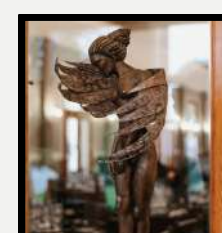
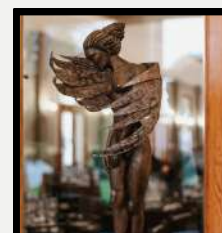
On 1 March, we hosted our annual AuctionGala Evening, a 5-course dinner with wine pairing, at the prestigious Pretoria Country Club. What a beautiful evening it was with Juanita de Villiers and Andries Vermeulen.

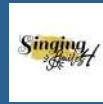
We extend our deepest thanks to everyone who supported the evening – from those who donated incredible items, to those who placed generous bids, and all who attended with open hearts.

A special thank you to our sponsors:

Anton Smit Sculptures
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Christiaan Diedericks
Safari PTY
Solly Smook

Together, we are making a lasting difference.





SINGING FOR SMILES

What a joyful and unforgettable evening! At our Singing for Smiles fundraiser, choirs from various schools joined voices in harmony, both on their own and alongside the talented Jo Black. All the proceeds from the ticket sales went towards the care of our precious babies.



A special thank you to all the schools that participated. You brought so much life and love to the stage. Thank you to Jo Black for generously sharing your gift and heart with Daybreak House. A special thank you to Elana Neethling from Singing for Smiles.



SCHOOLS

- Laerskool Lynnwood
- Laerskool Menlopark
- Laerskool Kruinsig
- Laerskool Hennospark
- Laerskool Pretoria-Oos
- Hoërskool Die Wilgers
- Laerskool Bakenkop
- Laerskool Tygerpoort
- Pretoria Boys High School
- Johannesburg Children's Choir



PRETORIA BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

PBHS has become a familiar and much loved part of life at Daybreak House. Their learners visit us regularly to play with the babies, share smiles, and bring a sense of joy that lights up our home. Their consistent care and presence mean the world to us and to the little ones they so warmly engage with.



AHMS

During their annual 'Omgee Week', the learners of Affies poured out love in a big way by collecting food, clothes, products, baby items, and nappies. We are deeply grateful for their generosity.



LAERSKOOL PRETORIA-OOS



Their visit was filled with laughter and sweet moments with our babies. Laerskool Pretoria-Oos brought baby products, clothes, and nappies, meeting our needs with such thoughtful care. We are truly grateful for their support and the love they shared with our little ones.



COURTNEY HOUSE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

A big thank you to the learners and teachers from Courtney House International School for their regular visits to Daybreak. Your time, love, and generous donations of nappies, wipes, and cleaning products mean the world to us. We're so grateful for your continued support!



LAERSKOOL DIE KRANS

A heartfelt thank you to Die Krans for donating coffee bottles filled with soup ingredients to Hamba Nawe. Your big hearts and generous support mean so much to the families in urgent need. Your kindness is truly making a difference!



PRETORIA HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS



We're so grateful to the learners from Pretoria High School for Girls who regularly volunteer at Daybreak. Your time, energy, and generous donations mean so much to us. Our babies love every moment with you—thank you for sharing your hearts with them! 5

INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMATIC SPOUSES ASSOCIATION



We were honoured to receive a visit from members of IDSA at Daybreak House. Ammara (Embassy of Pakistan), Karem (Embassy of Paraguay), Jessica (Embassy of Zimbabwe), Albert (Embassy of Jamaica), and Katie (Embassy of Greece) generously donated a television to our home. Your kindness brought joy and comfort to our children and caregivers. Thank you for showing that together we can do more!

MIDMAR

The Midmar Mile was a fun and meaningful fundraiser where generous sponsors backed our swimmers and even doubled their pledges for those who finished faster than expected. You are never too young or too old to make a difference. A special thank you to our school kids who participated and raised funds. We raised over R100 000 that went to the needs of our babies.



LITTLE HANDS, BIG BEATS

We are so grateful to Danelle Moller for bringing music, movement, and joy to our little ones each week. With her warm and creative approach, she introduces our babies to rhythm, instruments, and dance—fostering their emotional, social, and physical development. Thank you, Danelle, for sharing your heart and talent with us!



We are deeply thankful to Chas Everitt International for their remarkable generosity and continued support of Daybreak House. At their annual awards ceremony held at Montecasino, Chas Everitt raised over R100,000 to support our mission of providing a safe and nurturing environment for abandoned and vulnerable babies.

But their kindness didn't stop there.

The Chas Everitt Pretoria team also paid a special visit to Daybreak House, where they treated our dedicated carers to a delicious lunch and gifted us with beautiful handmade blankets — a touching gesture that brought warmth and comfort to our home and hearts.

We are forever grateful to Chas Everitt for the incredible impact they continue to make on Daybreak House and the journey ahead. Your partnership fuels hope, healing, and brighter futures for the little lives entrusted to our care.

STRUXIT PROJECTS TEES OFF FOR A CAUSE



We are incredibly grateful to Struxit Projects. for choosing Daybreak House as the beneficiary of their prestigious annual golf day, held at the beautiful Pretoria Country Club.

It was a day filled with sunshine, good company, and generous hearts as golfers enjoyed the green while giving back. Through this unforgettable event, vital funds were raised to support the ongoing work at Daybreak House — providing love, care, and safety to vulnerable babies in our care.

A special thank you goes to MEGAMASTER, who once again donated a top-of-the-range braai for the charity auction — a highlight of the day and a significant contributor to the fundraising success.

To Struxit Inc., Megamaster, and every golfer and guest who made the day possible: thank you for swinging with purpose and paying it forward.

WHAT HAS OUR BABIES BEEN UP TO?

BABY THRPY

Our babies had the wonderful opportunity to visit Baby Thrpy in Menlyn Maine for a hydrotherapy session. This gentle water therapy supports development, strengthens muscles, and soothes the senses.



NEW FRIENDS

Our babies were delighted to welcome some new little friends, a turtle, a few fish, and two cheerful finches. These pets bring a calmness, curiosity, and smiles to our home every day.

SWEETHEARTS AND SWEET TREATS

Valentine's Day was full of love and laughter at Daybreak House. Our little ones enjoyed an ice cream to celebrate this day.





SPLASH AWAY!

Swimming has become a weekly favorite activity for our babies, all thanks to the care and guidance of Pisces Aquatic. Their gentle teaching has helped our little ones feel confident and joyful in the water



TREATS FROM SPUR



Spur surprised our staff and babies with delicious meals that brought big smiles and full tummies. The kind gesture made everyone feel loved and appreciated, we're so thankful for the treat.

HEARTS THAT SHOW UP



A big thank you to every volunteer who takes the time to play with the babies, take them on outings, and show them love. Your presence makes a lasting difference in their little lives.





We believe the first 1000 days of a child's life are crucial and have a significant impact on their development. Therefore, we strive to provide as much exposure to various activities during this period. We use Sensory Integration, ensuring the involvement of as many senses as possible during these activities. We particularly focus on the vestibular system and proprioception.





Hamba Nawe

PROJECT

"we walk with you"

NEWSLETTER
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Walking Together in Paediatric Palliative Care



121 Patients and counting

Since the launch of the Hamba Nawe Project in January 2025, we are honoured to have welcomed 121 children and their families into our paediatric palliative care programme.

Each referral represents a journey of courage, and we are deeply committed to walking alongside every family with compassion, dignity, and care.

Outpatient Clinics: Healing and Connection



We've hosted three successful outpatient clinics so far this year. These clinics are about more than just medical care — they are designed to:

- Provide holistic symptom and medical support
- Offer psychological and emotional care
- Deliver practical assistance for families navigating complex care
- And most importantly, create a safe space where families can share their stories, connect, and support each other

Inpatient Support: A Daily Commitment

At any given time, the Hamba Nawe team is involved in the care of **approximately 20 inpatients** across various paediatric wards. The majority of referrals come from:

- Oncology
- Neonatology
- Intensive Care
- Neurosurgery



In addition to medical and psychosocial support, we also provide practical assistance to families, including toiletries, blankets, nappies, and even clothing when needed. We walk this journey alongside children and their caregivers, helping to preserve dignity in the most vulnerable moments.



Learning and Sharing: National Conference Highlights



From 18 to 21 June, Ané and Vuyo attended the South African Palliative Care Conference in Durban. It was a wonderful opportunity to:

- Network with palliative care providers from across the country
- Learn from experts and thought leaders in the field
- Share the Hamba Nawe story and grow our vision for the future

Opening Quote

"Grief is not a condition to treat - it is a sacred space to witness"



WE CAME BACK INSPIRED AND ENERGISED TO TAKE THE NEXT STEPS ON THIS JOURNEY.



Teaching Programme

Growing a Culture of Compassion

We've hosted five teaching sessions so far this year, each attended by 40-50 healthcare workers, including a large and engaged group of spiritual care workers.

Our most recent session, led by Vuyo, focused on cultural sensitivity in palliative care. The discussion was deeply moving, sparking vibrant conversations and shared experiences.

The response was unanimous - **participants requested more sessions on this essential topic**, affirming its importance in our multicultural context.

These sessions are **building a strong hospital-wide culture of empathy, understanding, and whole-person care.**



What's Coming Up?



2 August

Memory Making Day



25 July and 15 August
Next Outpatient Clinics



Every second Thursday

Training Sessions - in the Radiotherapy Lecture Hall.

How can you help?



Donate Financially

Your contributions allow us to provide care, support, and dignity to children and families in need.

Banking Details:

Account name:

The Grové Schoombee Foundation

Bank: FNB Business Account

Account number: 63141987800

Branch code: 210835

Reference: Hamba Nawe Project.

SCAN ME!



Please send **proof of payment** to yolane@grovesfoundation.co.za

Section 18A tax certificates can be issued for all donations.



Specific Needs

We are currently in need of:



Checkers

10 x R500 Checkers vouchers per month to support food-insecure families



Medical equipment, especially **suction machines** and home oxygen units

(If you know of any organisations or individuals who could assist with equipment, please get in touch!)



Basic toiletries and groceries

Nappies, formula milk and feeding supplements

Call For Volunteers



To join, simply
WhatsApp Ané
082 214 7721

Would you like to get involved with transport, administrative help, visiting families, or supporting memory-making activities?

We are creating a Hamba Nawe Volunteer WhatsApp Group — a space where we'll post small tasks, practical needs, and opportunities to help.



Thank You corner

With grateful hearts,
we acknowledge:



The Grové Schoombee

Foundation, for their unwavering financial and practical support.



Hospivision, for providing dedicated volunteers and offering ongoing spiritual care in the wards.



And to **all who continue to pray** for the project – your quiet support sustains us every day.



Daybreak Baby House, for lovingly sending carers to stay with children who have been admitted without their mothers.



Everyone who contributed so generously on **Mandela Day** – your kindness reached many families in need.



To everyone who contributed to our **Comrades Marathon goal** – **THANK YOU!** We raised over **R200,000** thanks to your unwavering support.

Closing Words

Thank you for being part of this journey. **Whether you walk with us through prayer, donations, time, or encouragement – we are deeply grateful.** Together, we are building a community of care where every child is seen, every family is supported, and no one walks alone.



With warmth and gratitude,

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17 OCTOBER GOLF DAY

Save the Date: The Grove Schoombee Foundation Golf Day – 17 October 2025

Mark your calendars and get ready for a day of fun, networking, and giving back!

We're excited to announce that The Grove Schoombee Foundation Golf Day will take place on Friday, 17 October 2025 at the beautiful Centurion Country Club.

This is the perfect opportunity for companies to treat their business partners, enjoy a round of golf, and support a meaningful cause — all in one memorable day!

  **Format: 4-Ball Alliance**

 **Exciting prizes up for grabs**

 **Golf cart and golf kit included for each player**

Whether you're playing for fun, for business, or for the love of giving back — you won't want to miss this!

More details to follow soon...

Get your team together and stay tuned!

