

TOMORROW TRUST

Tomorrow Trust Newsletter
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Dear Partners, Students and Alumni

Welcome to our third quarter issue of the Tomorrow Trust Newsletter. It has been an exciting three months as we have been preparing for our 10th birthday celebrations. As Tomorrow Trust we would like to extend our heartfelt thank you to you all, your support during this 10 year journey has been invaluable.

This issue focuses on our 10 year celebrations, student's achievements, workshops and the running of our programmes.

Last but certainly not least, we have additional upcoming events to continue celebrating our 10th birthday. These events will include our year end functions. Please enjoy reading what we have to share with you. We always welcome your comments and suggestions and invite you to get involved with any of our programmes and activities.

Tomorrow Trust is Celebrating 10 Years

Tomorrow Trust was born in 2005 with only a vision and 10 years later we are proud to say that we have made a significant difference in the lives of all our beneficiaries over the years. We could not have impacted so many lives and families without the great partnerships we have formed, the tenacity of our beneficiaries and the dedication of the Tomorrow Trust Team.

We have launched a new logo that is more aligned to who we are today-

“Growing Wings to Create a Better World”.

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Together we can make an impact in the lives of orphaned and vulnerable children through integrated education and holistic support.

Tomorrow Trust 10th Birthday Celebration

We officially kicked off our celebrations on the 11th of October, where we had our first event at Saxonwold Primary with special partners/donors, friends and trustees who came to celebrate with our primary school learners. Our foundation (Grades R-3) and intermediate learners (Gr 4 – 7) engaged in arts and crafts. It was a fun day that ended with cupcakes and a beautiful cake.



The Gala Dinner

We held a gala dinner on the 13th of October 2015. The main aim of the gala dinner was to thank all our partners and friends for making the past 10 years a success. The Tomorrow Trust' journey has been one filled with both challenges, exciting moments, and a lot of impact on our 2000 beneficiaries. The reality of turning 10 has given us courage to push forward and knock on more doors; affording us more opportunities to continue changing lives of our children and youth.



The Gala was such a success, and all our expectations were exceedingly met. The Gala dinner gave us an opportunity to have all our partners, donors, and friends congregated in one room, who all share a common vision for the children and youth of South Africa. We were able to showcase what we have achieved in only 10 years. Our Holiday School learners made us proud, they serenaded the guest with two beautiful songs.

The Post – Secondary students eloquently shared with our guests who they are and what they are studying.

It was a special moment when Kim called onto the stage a few alumni, who are a testament to the success of the Tomorrow Trust model of excellence.



We were honored to have on the night the reigning Miss World Rolene Strauss announce that the Miss World's 'Beauty with a Purpose' campaign will join forces with Cell C and the Tomorrow Trust to train 100 new female medical doctors through university. Tomorrow Trust felt the sense of pride, and really

humbled to be recognized for our work and be chosen amongst others to be part of this great campaign.



Please follow the link below to read more:

<http://www.mediaupdate.co.za/publicity/82913/rolene-strauss-to-join-forces-with-cell-c-and-the-tomorrow-trust-to-train-doctors>



Our Founder / Executive Director and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees Share a few words

“For 10 years now, so many seeds have been planted and have grown into dynamic opportunities. Potential has been recognized, acknowledged and invested in. Lives have been touched, created and grown. Whether from the perspective of a staff members, board members, donors, partners or beneficiaries, we all are interlinked into a group of individuals who have experienced positive impact through the creation of hope, dreams and above all the belief that we could be a part of something so great – the choice to bring positive choices and change into our world. With this we have supported dreams – our own and others. We have taken black, white and grey and turned it into colour.

I am proud and so much fulfilled to be here today and to have been but a part of this journey. I am proud to have met, known and worked with so many exceptional people. I have experienced meaning and fulfillments as well as I believe that through all this I have had the great privilege of growing through the lessons learnt along the way. Each person has been a part of planting a seed. The beautiful forest and gardens that we are witness to is due to everyone showing up and giving of themselves. To give thanks seems so trivial for so much – so I wish to say that your seed will last forever for many generations to come. Our children and theirs will bask in its beauty and you will be a part of its joy". – **Kim Normand Feinberg** (Founder/Executive Director)

“When the Tomorrow Trust’s journey began, it began with one person’s vision – Kim Normand Feinberg, the founder/executive director of the Tomorrow Trust. There were no beneficiaries and donors to speak about other than the vision. When Kim shared the vision with various people, including Brother Mike Bloom of Fluxmans Attorneys, who assisted with the formation and registration of the Tomorrow Trust and the founding trustees (i.e. Ntate Cyril Ramaphosa, Mme Yvonne Chaka Chaka and Mme Noeleen Maholwana-Sanqu), they believed in the vision and supported it. All past and current trustees believed and still believe in the vision.

Academic education and self-awareness and development: The Tomorrow Trust is committed to giving both academic and psycho-social support in order for each individual to reach their potential. The Tomorrow Trust’s journey, though 10 years old, is still a long journey. It requires support of people and corporations for it to continue impacting lives. I call upon everyone who believes in making a positive contribution to humanity to join hands with the Tomorrow Trust. Our tomorrow is shaped by what we do today. I thank all of those who have been a part of our journey and commend you for taking a stand and not simply accepting the status quo! To the staff of the Tomorrow Trust under the leadership of Kim Normand Feinberg, I salute you. To my fellow trustees and my mentor at the Tomorrow Trust (Jonathan Cook), I commend you. Together we can do more to create a tipping point to success". – **Jack Phalane** (Chairman of Tomorrow Trust’s board of Trustees)

Sandton City - Empty Shop Campaign in Support of Tomorrow Trust

Sandton City launched their Empty Shop Campaign on the 27th of October 2015, and we are their 2015 beneficiary.

The Empty shop has been set up at the Checkers Court Sandton City and will be open from Wednesday, 28 October, giving customers the opportunity to donate clothing, accessories, toys and children's books in good condition and will close on 15 October 2015.

The clothing will then be sold and donated to our beneficiaries in support of the work Tomorrow Trust does.

We encourage everyone to participate; we know that you will greatly enjoy this experience. Thank you in advance for being part of this!!



Students Paying Forward



Tomorrow Trust Post-Secondary students secretly raised funds for Tomorrow Trust. The students revealed their worthy course at the gala dinner. Nishaam Pretorius presented Kim with a certificate and disclosed that the students had raised enough money to put one learner through Holiday and Saturday School Programme

Gail Wasserman – American Trustee

Gail Wasserman our American trustee based in New York with her wife Ilene Miklos flew to South Africa to celebrate our 10th birthday with us.

Ilene Miklos, who is a lawyer, hosted an insightful workshop for our law students at our offices, covering topics such as ethics and human rights.



Cliff Central

Kim Normand Feinberg together with Miss World, Rolene Strauss and the Cell C CEO, Jose Dos Santos were on Cliff Central on the 23rd of October 2015.

They had a vibrant conversation about the importance of education and joining forces on the World 'Beauty with a Purpose' campaign.



Absa Jewish Achievers Awards

This year Kim Normand Feinberg was nominated for the Europcar Jewish Woman in Leadership award.

She attended the Event with Karabo Leopeng on 23 August 2015, where they had the privilege to meet the Public Protector Thuli Madonsela.

Holiday & Saturday School Programme

We had a successful run of both the holiday and Saturday schools in the past quarter. All our learners from Gr R - 12 showed up in full force, eager to learn. Our partners also played a big role to make this possible; we commend their loyalty to our learners and our programmers. Well done to all our learners for the commitment shown throughout.

Workshops & Activities:

IQ Business in August hosted our Grade 11 and 12 learners for a workshop on "what your tomorrow looks like". The significant message of these workshop to our learners, was every person's journey is different, always follow their dreams, seek advice, conduct researches to ensure that they achieve their goals and dreams.

Freeing Freddie

Freeing Freddie is a book that captivates audiences through a boy named Freddie and his magical story. Freddie who lives in a magical forest, becomes entangled in an old spiders web. The old web that Freddie becomes entangled in is symbolic of his fears. The story then takes you on a journey as he meets a giant friendly spider – Mr. Cotton. Mr. Cotton becomes the boy's teacher and guide and helps give Freddie tools to overcome his fears.

Freeing Freddie workshops: During our recent Holiday Schools, Kim Normand Feinberg, Karabo Leopeng and the author Brent Feinberg facilitated workshops on letting go of your fears, overcoming challenges and pursuing your dreams. The book 'Freeing Freddie' was used as part of the workshops; it was a great mechanism to easily communicate the message to the learners.

The author of Freeing Freddie Brent Feinberg has kindly committed to donating 70% of the proceeds on each copy sold to the Tomorrow Trust. Each learner received a copy of this great book.



Levi' Fashion Friday

Levi Fashion ran a Fashion Friday Campaign in August. Customers exchanged their old jeans to receive R200 off when purchasing any item from the Levi' New Women's Denim collection! All the old jeans customers brought were donated to the Tomorrow Trust. Thank you Levi Fashion for this thoughtful campaign, our students loved the donations.



"When you learn, teach, when you get, give"
- Maya Angelou

High Tea

On 6 October 2015 Levis treated our Grade 9 girls to a high tea where they participated in different craft activities and received a talk on pursuing their dreams and the role of women in society.



JSE Workshop



Tomorrow Trust was invited to a presentation on the 13th of October 2015 at the JSE. Students, staff members, and trustees were addressed by the CEO of the JSE and she shared about key leadership qualities, career choices and life lessons.

Ralph Speirs gave a presentation that was relatable to the students as he focused more on various ways in which students can invest on the stock exchange.

Post-Secondary Programme

Our students showed determination this year. We commend them for the hard work they put in towards their studies. All partners involved played a major role in ensuring that our students are successful and will reach their academic goals at the end of 2015. Tomorrow Trust appreciates all the support it received.

Workshops

We held informative workshops for our students the last quarter:

Gratitude Workshop - at PwC - facilitated by Kim Normand Feinberg and Amy Shirley

Work Readiness Workshop - at Bain & Co - facilitated by Bain & Co staff members

Law Workshop - at Tomorrow Trust offices - facilitated by Gail Wasserman and Ilene Miklos from USA

JSE Presentation - at JSE - facilitated by the JSE

Tomorrow Trust provides both psycho social and academic support to ensure that our students are ready for the world when they graduate.

The above listed workshops are the right keys to achieving exactly that with our students.

Student Achievements

Judith Mhlanga, received a recognition of Exceptional Achievement, in September 2005, for the Dean Honors Roll of 2014, in the faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment at the University of Johannesburg.

Amanda Manzini, she was added to the Deans' List at the University of Johannesburg. She is currently in her 1st year, studying towards BSc Computer Sciences



Theatre Trips

Jo'burg theatre has once again treated our students to two theatre productions:
Opera Classics and I am an African – 29 August 2015
Private Presley - 9 October 2015.

Thank you once again to Jo'burg Theatre for the love and continuous support. Their donations mean a lot to us and our students.

Words of Encouragement

To our matriculates and Post- Secondary students who are currently writing exams, or are about to start with exams, we wish them all a successful exam period and they are in our thoughts.

"The best way to motivate yourself is to stop stressing about what'll happen when things go wrong and start thinking about how awesome life will be when things go right. Good luck"- Unknown

Dates to Remember

Continuing with the celebrations of our tenth year of existence, Tomorrow Trust has set aside special dates to celebrate with all its beneficiaries in all programmes.

Holiday and Saturday School end of year functions and 10 year celebrations will be held on the following dates:

Grades 11–12 :14 November 2015 (Johannesburg)
Grades 8 – 9 :21 November 2015 (Johannesburg)
Grades R – 7 :28 November 2015 (Johannesburg)
Grades R – 2 :21 November 2015 (Cape Town)

Post – Secondary end of year function and 10 year celebration

At this year’s Post –Secondary year end function Jason Goliath of Goliath and Goliath will be our special guest, we look forward to having him and closing the year off with our students, trustees, staff and friends.

Date: 21 November 2015

Other special dates:

7 November 2015 - Grade 12 extra-curricular support
26 November 2015 - Celebrations with the class of 2015 graduates
4 December 2015 - Three day camp with the grade 10 learners - facilitated by IQ Business
5 December 2015 - Alumni brunch

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