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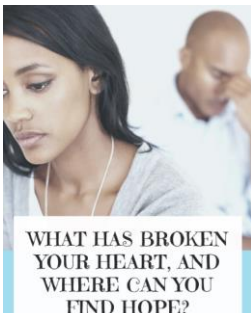
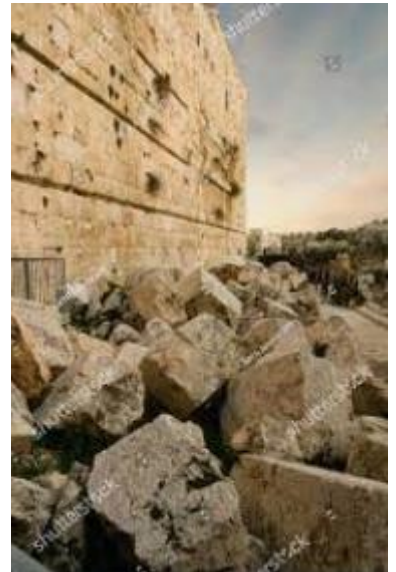
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Dear Parents

This past week has sped by, leaving us wondering where the time has flown! As believers and as followers of The Way, we understand that God controls time and therefore all that occurs in the greater scheme of life. However, there are things that we control...our hopes, desires, wishes, aspirations and actions are all the result of our own choices. So, if you're a believer and have a Bible, then read Jeremiah 17:1-14. Jeremiah is often called the weeping or wailing prophet because Jerusalem and all that was in it was destroyed; so much damage took place and he was devastated at what he saw. This week's thought is taken from the above passage.

Now, let's get a thought going. I'm of the opinion that a long time ago we probably learnt that hoping for something better can bring disappointment. Perhaps our hopes were dashed. The promises we believed in were broken. We were left feeling like fools for ever hoping in the first place. But, perhaps we were devastated because we put our hope in the wrong place.

In Jeremiah, we find these words, "this is what the LORD says: ***'Cursed are those who put their trust in mere humans***, who rely on human strength and turn their hearts away from the LORD. They are like stunted shrubs in the desert, with no hope for the future. They will live in the barren wilderness, in an uninhabited salty land. ***But blessed are those who trust in the LORD and have made the LORD their hope*** and confidence. They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water. Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long months of drought. Their leaves stay green, and they never stop producing fruit" (Jeremiah 17:5-8). Aren't these just fantastic words. Words that we can really hold on to.



Turning our life over to God means placing our hope and confidence in Him instead of people who will disappoint us. When we place all our hope and trust in other people, it's like expecting a tree to flourish in a barren desert. People will disappoint us and are unable to satisfy our deepest needs. Trusting God changes everything. In the New Testament we find a similar thought when Jesus said in John 4:14, "but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The implication is that when one puts their hope in God, he sustains them. He provides their nourishment. He provides their satisfaction and He provides them with life. No disappointments!

I trust this will encourage you to place your trust in God, the real giver of hope!

Our School

Have you ever visited the school website? Have you ever wanted to advertise the school, but weren't sure where to point to? Has anybody asked you about the school and you weren't sure about how to answer them? Well, here's the opportunity. Visit our website and get advertising!

We are planning for the future! And, we have space! Spots for children who are SLD (who have a specific learning disorder), who have ADHD, ADD, learning and memory concerns, or who are struggling with schoolwork due to some medical condition. We are wanting to 'fill-up' or SLD spaces in the Foundation Phase as well as the Intermediate and Senior Phases. So if you're in the know, or are aware of children with similar conditions, encourage the parents to visit our website. We may just be the answer they've been looking for!

The web address is: <https://www.francesvorwergschool.co.za>



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Cross-Country

Well done to Inga Bierman on being selected to represent Gauteng at the National Cross-Country Championships to be held in East London.

We wish her well and know that she will outshine and outrun her competition as she holds our name up high.

Boccia

Boccia is a game of skill, played with either the hands or the feet AND Frances Vorweg certainly knows how to play the game.

What is Boccia?

Each player is given 6 red or blue balls, and each player takes turn in attempting to land the ball as close as possible to the white target ball called the jack or, knock the opponent's balls out of the way.



The diagram shows a green rectangular court with a blue 'Throwing Box' at one end. A white 'Jack Ball' is in the center. A red ball is labeled 'Knock' and a blue ball is labeled 'Throw & Roll'. A yellow 'Jack Ball Invalid Zone' is marked around the jack ball. Two players in wheelchairs are shown on the court.

Counting Points

The end is complete when all balls from both sides have been propelled.

The Side with the ball closest to the Jack will score one point for each ball closer to the Jack than the opponent's closest ball to the Jack.



The diagram shows a central white 'Jack Ball' with a red ball (score 1) and a blue ball (score 2) closer to it than the other side's closest ball. A 'Lost' ball is shown further away. A 'Won' ball is shown further away. Below the diagram, a score of '2-0' is shown with a red ball and a blue ball.



Frances Vorweg has a long history of Boccia being played by its CP learners. In fact several of the learners have progressed to participate in the National Boccia trials and have proven themselves over and over again.

We are proud once again to say that our learners participate in Boccia!

Well done to Gugu sigasa, Palesa Mohlala and Sphiwe Mudau for participating in the trials held at the Kliprivier Recreation Centre. We are really proud of you!



Netball

This past week our netball girls played against Delta Park. Our girls gave it their all and showed what Frances Vorweg is made of. Well played girls!



CP Accessibility and Upgrades

We are currently upgrading the accessibility ramp and stairs for our CP learners down to the first tier playground. This undertaking has been a while in the planning and is now happening. We look forward to all our learners having easy access to the playgrounds and being a part of the children who play and participate in activities held there.



School Services

What would Frances Vorweg be with the services it offers.....just another school! ***BUT, we're not just another school.*** We are a SPECIAL SCHOOL with SPECIAL TEACHERS, THERAPISTS AND ASSISTANTS. We're different AND we make a difference. This is after all, why you send your children to our school.....to see, experience and become different. But, here's the snag! We can only be what we should be if YOU support us while we serve you.

We have noticed that many parents have fallen behind with the schools fees and this will start to have an effect upon the school. May I urge you to pay your school fees? If you're making use of the school transport, pay your bus fees. A brief reminder of the fee structure at the school is as follows:

- School fees – 1250pm
- Hostel fees – 1600pm
- Aftercare – 990pm
- Bus – 500pm

Note: If you're struggling and can't pay the full amount – visit the school, explain your situation and make an arrangement, pay apportion, do something....don't leave it until the last minute. ***We're counting on you, just as you count on us!***

I look forward to your support as we take Frances Vorweg the next level of excellence

Yours faithfully

Mark Lynch

“Speak when you are angry
and you will make the
best speech you will ever
regret.”

— Ambrose Bierce
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