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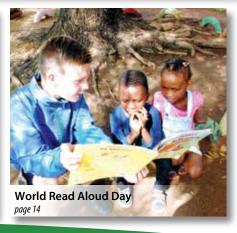
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### A Lentswe la Gago le Utiwale!

Lekwalo dikgang la gago; Segoagoe le go laletsa go romela dikakanyo le ditshwaelo dingwe le dingwe tse o ka tswang o na le tsona go segoagoe@bafokeng.com, kgotsa wa di tlisa ka namana kwa Bafokeng Civic Centre. Ditshwaelo di letleletswe go fitlha labotlhano wa bobedi wa kgwedi ngwe le ngwe. Mokwadi o rotloediwa go kwala bokana ka mafoko a le 400, e seng go feta. Ditshwaelo ka puo ya Setswana le ya Sekgoa di amogelesegile. O gakololwa go akaretsa leina la gago, dinomoro tsa mogala, le lefelo la bonno mo lekwalong la gago. ELA TLHOKO: Botsamaisi bo na le thata ya go tlhopha makwalo a a siametseng go phasaladiwa.

### **Make Your Voice Heard-Share Your Views!**

Segoagoe invites members of the community to forward their suggestions, comments and views about any issue that matters to them, to segoagoe@bafokeng.com or they can be hand delivered to Bafokeng Civic Centre, every second Tuesday of the month. Letters should not exceed 400 words and may be written in Setswana or English. Every letter should bear the name, telephone numbers and area of residence of the writer. NB: The editorial team reserves the right to determine the appropriateness of articles submitted for publication.

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### **The Team**

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### **UBANK AND RBH**

### **REWARD TOP TEN MATRICULANT ACHIEVERS OF CLASS OF 2015**



From the left: Kgosana Titus Mookeletsi, Principal J Mamorare, Parent, Ubank CEO Mr Vuthula, RBI Lebogang Moikanyane

"people get depressed when they lose motivation or focus because they think successful people have some unstoppable passion and the on the magic pill that makes them feel ready and inspired every day. The truth is people who stick to their goals don't let their emotions get in their way".

On Friday, 26 February 2016, RBH and UBank rewarded 10 Matriculant achievers with tablets. The aim of the joint campaign is to encourage learners, in the lower grades, to take their studies seriously. Without education it is not easy to open the doors of success to reach one's goals.

With the help of RBI, two schools from Bafokeng nation were identified, namely Thethe and Mmanape High. Five top learners from both schools were given tablets. Dikgosana, parents and councillors witnessed that learners who work hard are rewarded. Councillor Mmathapelo Pitsoe was part of the programme from the beginning until the end.

At Thethe High, under the leadership of Mr Nkotsoe, one of the top learners is now studying teaching with Royal Bafokeng Institute (RBI). She wants to further her

studies with the University of Potchefstroom. The words used on the day were ntime o mphele Ngwana – this means 'you can rather give my child and leave me.' Ubank CEO Mr Vuthula,,encouraged learners to have self-confidence. "Self-confidence must be added with competence because without competence you are going to cause confusion and confusion is costly" Kgosana N Mekgwe thanked UBank for the generous work they are doing.

In a speech, one of the grade 12 learners from Thethe High said, "people get depressed when they lose motivation or focus because they think successful people have some unstoppable passion and the the magic pill that makes them feel ready and inspired every day. The truth is people who stick to their goals don't let their emotions get in their way".

## "The South African Reserve Bank increased the repo rate by 50 basis points, brace yourself for further increases...."



Every once in a while when we open a newspaper or watch the news, we are confronted with the reality of an increase in the interest rates, but what does this really mean for our pockets?

Most of us have some sort of debt that we are repaying on a monthly basis, it could be in the form of a car repayment, mortgage bond or even personal loans as well as credit cards. If you have a fixed rate on either one of these loans, you do not have to worry about an increase in the repo rate, given that you have effectively 'fixed' your interest rate. Therefore your monthly repayment amount will remain the same irrespective of what happens to the repo rate. However, if you have a variable interest rate on your loan (which is common

to most debt) it means the monthly repayment of your loan will increase every time the Reserve Bank increases the repo rate. Now that we have made the distinction between fixed and variable interest, let us look at an example. The table below shows a breakdown of Joe Mofokeng's various debt repayments. Joe has the following debt repayments:

- A mortgage bond for his house (Variable interest)
- A car that he is paying for (Variable interest)
- A credit Card (Variable interest)
- A student loan (Fixed interest)
  The table below shows how the 50 basis points (0.5%) increase in the reporate as effected on 29th January 2016 will

	Purchase Price/Loan	OLD interest %	Term of Loan	NEW interest rate %(Old rate + 0.5%)	OLD monthly payment	NEW monthly payment	
	R1m	9.7%	20 Years	10.20%	R 9 452.04	R 9 783.09	R 331.05
-	R250k	11.25%	6 Years	11.75%	R 4 790.60	R 4 855.16	R 64.56
<b>33</b>	R10k	19.75%	6 Months	20.25%	R 2 024.03	R 2 026.76	R 2.73
	R100k	18.50%	5 Years	18.50%	R 2 566.64	R 2 566.64	R 0.00 -

Upon close inspection we note the following salient features:

As a result of the increase in the repo rate, Joe Mofokeng's debt repayments have increased, he now has to pay an additional R331.05 for his house, R64.56 for his car and R2.73 for his credit card, a total of R398, every month. Note that these are the variable interest rates. Further repo rate increases will mean even higher debt repayments for Joe. Conversely, repayment on Joe's student loan, which is fixed, remained the same and was not affected by the increase in the repo rate.

The Reserve Bank has indicated that South Africa is in a 'rising interest rate cycle', which effectively means we can expect additional increases in the repo rate in the near future. This will have an adverse impact on your pocket if you have exposure to variable interest rate debt repayments. A rise in the interest rates is not always bad news, if you have surplus cash invested with a bank, you will earn higher interest on your investment.

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### **DUMELA PHOKENG**

Baagi botlhe ba lalediwa go tsena dikopano tsa Dumela Phokeng tseo di tla tshwarwang mo dikgaolong tsa bona. Maikaelelo ke go buisana le morafe le go neela morafe tšhono ya go tlhagisa matshwenyego le ditlhokego tsa bona mo metseng le dikgaolo tsa bona.

### Dikopano di rulagantswe go tshwarwa ka tsela e e latelang:

KGAOLO	LETLHA	NAKO	LEFELO
NORTH B	Saturday 02 April 2016	09h00	Bonwakgogo Primary School
NORTH A	02 Saturday April 2016	14h00	Thethe High School
NORTH EAST	Sunday 03 April 2016	10H00	Mmanape High School
CENTRAL	Saturday 09 April 2016	10H00	Matsukubyane Middle School
SOUTH EAST	Sunday 10 April 2016	10H00	Tshukudu High School
CAPITAL	Saturday 16 April 2016	10H00	Bafokeng Civic Centre

Baagi ba itsisiwe gore dibese di rulagantswe mo metseng yotlhe go ba isa kwa dikopanong. Tshedimosetso go ya pele e ka bonwa go Minah Huma/Mike Tleane mo 014 566 1200

### Itse segaeno Dikgafela tsa Setswana Kehumile Nkabina Masala



Pictures: Dikgafela tsa Bakgatla Source: motswediwaditso.blogspot.com

Dikgafela e ne e le nngwe ya ditirelo tsa kobamelo tse di botlhokwa thata mo ngwaong ya Setswana. Dikgafela di tsamaelana le kobamelo ya go rapelela pula. Di ne di dirwa go leboga Badimo kaba file morafe pula gore o kgone go bona dijo gammogo le diruiwa tsa bone. Gape di ne di tlisa popagano ya morafe. Badimo ba ne ba lebogwa jalo ba bo ba rapelwa go tswelela ba nesa pula fa go dirwa tiro e ya dikgafela.

Tsamaiso ya dikgafela

- Morago ga thobo morafe o ne o dira moletlo o o neng o tshwarelwa kwa kgotlakgolo.
- Kgosi e ne e bitsa pitso e mo go yona e itsiseng morafe gore o tla tlisa dikgafela leng.
- Ka letsatsi le le beilweng ke kgosi basadi ba kgotla nngwe le nngwe mo motsing ba ne ba isa mabele a mašwa kwa kgosing a le mo ditlatlaneng tse dišwa. Mabele a, a ne a tlhomelwa kala ya setlhare sa moologa.
- Mabele a ne a isiwa go sa le maphakela mme basadi ba tsamaya ka go tlhomagana ba apere dijale. Borre ba ne ba ba etelela pele, ba tsamaya jalo ba opela dipina tsa dikgafela.
- Fa ba fitlha kwa kgosing, borre ba begela kgosikgolo le borre ba legotla ba ba fitlhelang gore dikgafela tse di lerilweng di tswa

mo kgotleng efe.

- Mabele a ne a tshelwa mo difalaneng tsa kgosing go tla go thusa batlhoki, dikhutsana, le go jesa morafe ka nako ya tlala.
- Mabele a mangwe basadi ba rebolwa go bowa ka one go ya go dira bojalwa ba moletlo wa dikgafela. Basadi ba fitlhe ba inele mabele go dira momela. Go ne go inelelwa kwa lelapeng la kgosana ya kgotla. Le bojalwa jwa dikgafela bo ne bo apeelwa koo.
- Ka letsatsi la moletlo basadi ba rwala bojalwa ka dingwana ba bo isa kwa kgotlakgolo, kwa moletlo o neng o tshwarelwa teng.
- Fa ba fitlha koo ba tshela bojalwa mo ditshekegeng kgotsa mo ditsageng. Kgosi o ntsha dikgomo go tlhabiwa. Dikgomo tse e ka nna tsa matimela kgotsa tse di gapilweng fa go atlholwa badiramelato. Go ne go apewa le bogobe. Batho ba a ja, ba a nwa, go opelwa, go binwa ka Boitumelo jo bogolo.

#### Batsamaisi ba dikgafela

**Kgosikgolo**- Ke ene a gogang tiro e kwa pele a thusiwa ke dikgosana. Ke ene a ntshang taolo ya gore di tshwanetse go simologa. Pele ga batho ba ka nwa ba



a ja ke ene a simololang pele ka go tshela bojalwa fa fatshe le go latlhela dijo fa fatshe. Fa a dira jalo, go a twe o fa Badimo. Morafe o amogela tiro eo ka meduduetso e megolo.

**Dikgosana tsa dikgotla** – Ba tlhomamisa gore batho mo makgotleng ba ipaakanyeditse dikgafela. Se ba se dira ka go tlhokomela tiro yotlhe ya go isa mabele, go dira bojalwa le go bo isa kwa kgotlakgolo.

Banni ba dikgotla – Basadi ke bone ba ineelang mabele, ba a isa kgotleng le go isa bojalwa. Ba dira se ba gogwa kwa pele ke mohumagadi wa kgosana ya kgotla ya bona. Banna ba netefatsa gore basadi ba na le tsotlhe tse ba di tlhokang go baakanyetsa moletlo, ba tlhaba dikgomo le apaya nama kwa kgotlakgolo ka nako ya moletlo. Basimane ba rwalela dikgong tse di tla apayang bojalwa mme basetsana ba gelela metsi a a tla tlhokegang.

#### Diphetogo tsa dikgafela

Ditumelo tsa seeng di latlhisitse Batswana ditumelo tsa bone, ka jalo Batswana ga ba sa tlhole ba dumela mo Badimong. Bangwe ba tsaya fa Badimo e le dilo tsa kwa ga satane.

Dikgafela ga di sa tlhole di atile mo merafeng ya Batswana.

Dikgosi dingwe di tsenwe ke bopelotshetlha ka jalo batho ba ba leba ba batla go ba jela thobo go na le go dira dikgafela.

Batho ba setse ba itibile fela ba le esi mme ga ba rate go thusana. Ka jalo, ga go yo o gopolang go thusa dikhutsana le botlhoki jaaka go ne go dirwa pele. Batho ba aname le ditoropo ka ditiro, ka jalo ga go yo o teng mo gae go netefatsa gore tiro e, e a dirwa e bile e a tshwaraganelwa.

Bana ba sešwa ba leba go dirisana le kgosi e le go itira batlhanka, ka jalo, batho ga ba na theetso e e itumedisang mo dikgosing tsa bona.

Batho ga bas a tlhole ba lema mme ga ba bone mosola wa dikgafela.

Naga e senang ngwao ke moka e latlhegileng. Re ya kae Batswana? Re tla bolelela matlhogela a rona eng? A ga se nako ya go ipatla le go ipatlisisa? LAND AFFAIRS



Litter in streets and open spaces is a common problem in many areas. Many still do not see it as their responsibility to keep the streets clean but Omphile Sekgophi took it upon himself to break this cycle by ensuring general cleanliness in the streets of Saron in Phokeng, Capital region.

Segoagoe recently met with Omphile during the handover of a donation of cleaning equipment, personal protection equipment and funding facilitated by Royal Bafokeng Enterprise Development (RBED). Donations received include funding from EBJ Mining and Construction, and equipment from Dikapi and Select PPE. In receiving the donation, an excited Omphile said "We are grateful for the gifts and we trust that we will have more sponsors once the community notices the results of our work".

Sekgopi started the project in August last year by recruiting unemployed youth in his area, whom he says had no hope of finding jobs. Together they registered Bafokeng Environment Cleaning Solutions; a social enterprise operating as non-profit organization, with assistance of RBED.

According to Talent Muzambi, Enterprise Development Consultant, the core mandate of the RBED is to support the growth of Bafokeng business to participate in the mainstream economy. He said "a trend in the business world is for people with a social agenda to start a sustainable business run for purposes other than profit. Omphile Sekgopi is such an entrepreneur.

RBED has been helping him to raise start-up funding and operationalise the business through enterprise development interventions and support from corporate South Africa".

Sekgopi said they appreciate the support they get from RBED which has in addition to equipment and funding, provided them with training in disciplines such as: budgeting & financial management and human resources management and mentorship. They have also been using the "hot desk" office space at the RBED centre which gives them access to board room facilities, store room and meeting rooms.

In addition to sweeping the streets, Bafokeng Environment Cleaning Solutions extended their service to removing dirt and debris from the streets; taking out dirt from storm waters and drains. Sekgophi believes that clean streets are good for the environment, not only does cleaning help to prevent storm water drains from clogging which can result in street flooding, but this also helps to minimize the burden on the sewer system from surface debris and water and air pollution.

Their dream as Bafokeng Environment Cleaning Solutions is to establish an ABET centre in Phokeng and Select PPE is assisting the organisation to acquire sponsorship. The centre will assist youth members of the community to upgrade their qualifications. The Expanded Public Works Programme will be supporting the enterprise.

# Kgwebo

ya go godisa dikgogo e a tlhongwa





Bomolemo Chicken Enterprise e sa tswa go saena kontraka ya dingwaga di le tlhano le setlamo sa dikgogo se se itsegeng sa Kroon's Gourmet Chickens (PTY) Ltd. Ka thuso ya lefapha la temothuo la RBN, setlamo sa Bomolemo, se ipela ka dihoko di le pedi tseo di tsholang dikgogo di le 25 200 hoko nngwe le nngwe kwa polaseng kwa Boshoek.

Fa a ne a tlhalosa mabaka a bona a go tshegetsa setlamo se sa Bomolemo, Mme Gillian Senne a re ba lemogile fa bontsi jwa batho ba ba mo kgwebong e ya dikgogo e le basweu, fa palo ya bantsho e le kwa tlase. A re se, se ka tswa se bakiwa ke go tlhoka kitso mo kgwebong e. A re lefapha le bone go le mosola go thusa bao ba ratang go tsena mo kgwebong ka go ba thusa ka go dira ditumalano tsa kgwebo le go ba batlela ditšhono tsa go rekisa dikuno tsa bona.

Bomolemo Chicken Enterprise, ke setlamo sa maloko a le mararo bao e leng baagi ba mo Phokeng. Ga jaana setlamo se thapile badiri ba le babedi gammogo le ba nakwana ba le somethataro. Tirokgolo ya bona ke go tlhokomela le go godisa dikgogo, tseo morago ba di isang kwa setlamong sa Kroon's.

Go ya ka Mme Gillian, a re bona e le lefapha ba eletsa go bona Bomolemo e godisa le go oketsa dihoko tse le go tlhola ditiro tse dingwe gape. A re ba tla tswelela go thusa setlamo se, ka go netefatsa fa ba amogela thupelelo mabapi le go tsamaisa kgwebo ya bona, e leng seo ba se dirang ka tshwaraganelo le ba RBED. Botlhe ba ba nang le kgatlhego mo thuong ba rotloediwa go ikopanya le lefapha la temothuo go dira kopo ya lefatshe mme ba thusiwe ka go batlelwa ketleetso ya madi le ditšhono tse dingwe.





### Big Projects (Currently Active) (As at 15/4/2016)

Project Name	<u>Project Manager</u>	Budget Source	Progress %	End date	<u>Region</u>
Establishment of OVC in Luka	Lerato Makgale	External Funding	45.6%	23 June 2016	North
Establishment of a Place of Safety	Gladys Pikanisi	RBN	37.9%	12 May 2017	North
Monitoring Tlaseng Construction of Roads & Storm Water Drainage Phase 3 (IDP project)	Walter Katane	RLM	59.1%	31 March 2016	North East
Monitoring Construction of a Road in Tsitsing & Storm Water Drainage (IDP project)	Walter Katane	RLM	56.7%	31 March 2016	North East
Monitoring Upgrade and Construction of Internal Roads in Serutube and Mafika Phase 2 (IDP project)	Walter Katane	RLM	55.9%	31 March 2016	Central
Establishment of Play Therapy Room	Gladys Pikanisi		92.3%	17 July 2016	Capital
Land Policy Development	Eric Nkele		85.6%	31 March 2016	All
Establishment of mini market in RBN	Gillian Senne & contractors		52.3%	29 July 2016	North & Capital
Plan 35 Development	Martin Bekker & SNG Consultants		51.6%	19 November 2016	All
Establishment and Management of the animal pound/feedlot in Bafokeng	Gillian Senne		65.2%	30 May 2016	North East
Installation of Boreholes and windmills 2015	Gillian Senne		67.9%	18 March 2016	North; North East; Central; Capital
FNB I Homes	Teresa le Roux		50.1%	26 September 2016	North



Project Name	<u>Project</u> <u>Manager</u>	Budget Source	Planned Benefits	Region
PULA Fieldwork for Census	Mmusi Nthau	RBN & External Funders	Well managed fieldworkers resulting in a relevant database	All
PULA Household Survey Fieldwork Management 2016	Lebogang Kgongwana	RBN & External Funders	Well managed fieldworkers resulting in a relevant database	All

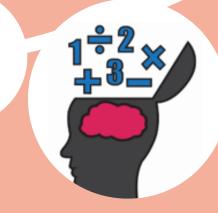
### Projects completed in the previous month

### (1/2/2016 - 29/2/2016)

	Project	Budget			
<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Manager</u>	Source	Actual/ Realised Benefits	<u>Region</u>	
Proposed New cemeteries for Royal Bafokeng Nation	Reotshepile Tlhapane	N/A	Increased burial space across the entire region	All	
Environmental Quality Index	Mmusi Nthau	RBN	Information on the state of the environmental in the South East region	South East	
Community Perception and Feedback Reference Groups	Mmusi Nthau	RBN	Detailed information on Community Perception on service delivery in order to inform decision making and planning	All	
RBN road maintenance 2015	Walter Katane	RBN	Local SMMEs employed; Local Labourers employed; Increase in quality and safety of RBN roads	All	
Collection/crush pens 2015	Gillian Senne	RBN	5 Crush pens erected; 3 Local SMMEs employed; Creating an enabling environment for farming	Central, North, Capital, South East	
ABSA supply database registration	Talent Muzambi	N/A	local SMMEs to register in the ABSA database	All	
Tour Guide training project	Talent Muzambi	RBN	8 young Bafokeng people trained on tourism; Skills development making individuals potentially more employable	All	
Legato Security Guardhouse Design	Sasanki Motsie	N/A	As-built drawing designs that will guide the designs of the new structure	Capital	

# Grade 12 Mathematics Learners Challenge

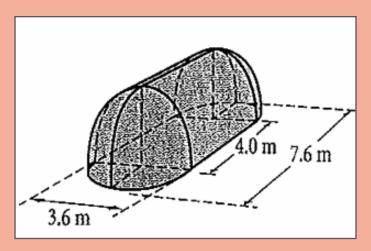
The brain teaser is designed to encourage and improve logical thinking of grade 12 mathematics learners. Participants are required to hand-in their solutions at Old Matale reception. Late submissions will not be considered. Winners will be announced on the next publication and they will be expected to claim their price within a week prior to the announcement. Brain teaser 1. Maths is poetry of logical thinking.





The Kickapoo is an Indian tribe who lives in a tentlike structure as indicated below, therefore the name "Kickapoo wigwam". Determine the surface area of the structure.

DUE DATE: 30 March 2016



By Sekano K.G & Lebabo P.S



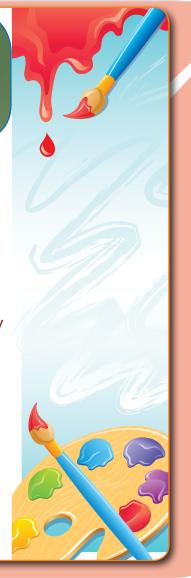
# Grade 7, 8 & 10 Aftercare Maths Club

Maximise your maths potential .....Get expert help

RBI invites Grade 7, 8 & 10 to attend an Aftercare Maths
Club. A place to meet, do homework and enjoy maths.

Date: From 18-01-2016,
Monday to Thursday
Venue: Old Matale
(Next to Royal Bafokeng Stadium)

Time: 15H00-17H00





100% pass

Olebogeng Bogopane attained a 100% pass in his Mathematics N3 exam which enabled him to achieve his N3 Electrical Trade in November 2015. Throughout his studies Olebogeng showed complete commitment to his tasks. He was encouraged to succeed through the dedicated lecturing of his Mathematics lecturer, Rre Clifford Setshwane and mentor, Mme Ingrid Marais.

On behalf of Phokeng Campus, Manager Mme Seanokeng Ngwenya, congratulated Olebogeng on this success and said he has done the Campus proud.

### Lebone II Shares World Read Aloud Day in Phokeng



On 24 February, Lebone II – College of the Royal Bafokeng, celebrated World Read Aloud Day. The aim of this special day is to inspire people of all ages to share books and stories with one another. This celebrates the power of words while creating communities of readers thus empowering others in their right to literacy.

In sharing World Read Aloud Day with others, some of the Grade 6 students visited Tannie Annetjie and Semane Early Childhood Development Centres to read to the children, an activity that was facilitated by the kind Library staff.

The Lebone II children took picture books and read aloud in English and Setswana for the little children, who were also very happy to meet the mascot, "Tiger". Ma'am Graetz, who teaches Grade 6, said that the children "...Represented Lebone II with excellence and found the service of reading to others quite moving.



# ROYAL BAFOKENG TOURISM'S BIGDAY



Royal Bafokeng Tourism Is mandated with ensuring the utilisation of the following Tourism business units: Royal Marang Hotel, Ananda Lodge and Royal Bafokeng Stadium.

In temperatures in excess of 45°C, the Stadium was the venue for ANC 104th Birthday Celebrations, organised by Luthuli House, Bojanala District and hosted by Royal Bafokeng Tourism. Sales of water were the highest they have ever been in the town due to the excessive heat experienced over the weekend of 9 January 2016.

### **ROYAL MARANG HOTEL**

The Royal Marang Hotel and many other smaller hotels and B&Bs around Phokeng were full and able to cater for all who entered the doors. This included the German Bundesliga Football team, Hoffenheim, who were at the Royal Marang for winter training away from their home base.

www.royalmarang.com

### **ANANDA HOTEL**

Township Rollers, from Botswana, enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere of Ananda Lodge, even though its renovation will only be completed by 1 March 2016. www.anandalodge.co.za

### **THE STADIUM**

The Stadium, which hosted 60 000 guests, continues to be an athletics hub where many an athlete has

been seen practicing, this includes local Olympic hopefuls. Two more recent events at the Stadium were the Moremogolo Primary Interhouse Athletics and Grenswag Hoërskool Interschool Athletics.

Reaction Force members Jameson Mabapa (winner Ottosdal 2013 Night Race), David Gatebe (winner 2013 Two Oceans Marathon) and Omphimetse Mothibi (2014 Two Oceans Top 30 competitor and Cape Town Marathon Top 20), have been hard at work with speed training for this year's Two Oceans Marathon as well as the Comrades Marathon. All athletes are wished every success in their endeavours.

RBT is utilising various SMMEs registered with RBED for the services required to the benefit of all involved for these functions. Soon it is hoped it will extend to using newly trained Tourism guides. These guides will be able to assist and add value to tours to various places of interest and expose more of the Bafokeng Heritage.

All in all, Royal Bafokeng Tourism is set to grow. If you have a service or skill, you think may add to the Tourism experience, please register with RBED so that we can present you to the event organisers when we host future events and functions.

www.royalbafokengtourism.com



### **RBA CALL CENTRE**

The Royal Bafokeng Administration has set up a Call Centre to receive the emergency reports on the following:

- Water pipe bursts
- Sewer blockages
- Electricity faults
- Damage to the road infrastructure (hazardous to traffic)
- Traffic accidents
- Fire to buildings
- Crime
- Land invasion (squatting)
- Storms
- Veld fires
- · Emergencies at schools

Should you experience any of the above, please call: **014 566 1220** or e-mail to callcentre@bafokeng.com

### WATER SAVING TIPS

**Fix the leaks:** All water leakages or burst water pipes in the RBN properties or infrastructure to be reported to the RBA Call Centre on 0800 562 020 or callcentre@bafokeng.com.

**Don't Let It Run:** Always turn off the tap when you wash the dishes or brush your teeth!

**Irrigate Wisely:** Watch the weather and irrigate only during the cooler parts of the day (early morning or late evening.

**Check the Plumbing:** Always make sure that your plumbing is properly maintained.

# HELP US TO HELP YOU - PAY FOR SERVICES



Royal Bafokeng Administration is responsible for providing basic services such as supplying water, refuse removal and stand allocation to the Bafokeng community.

The RBA buys bulk water and sells it to the community. In the previous year only, the organisation spent around R77million on water at an average of R6.61 per kilo litre, but collected less than 3% in water fees from the 19 000 water accounts it manages per month.

The rates charged depend on water consumption and residents receive monthly accounts that set out how much they owe.

- R3.80 per kilo litre charged to Bafokeng Communities
- R430.00 for water meter connection/installation.
- R250.00 new stand allocation/registration.

### NB: The rate for refuse removal will be communicated and levied in due course.

### Why is there a need to pay rates?

- To maintain regular supply of water we need to procure more water from our suppliers.
- Maintenance of water pipes, water meters, reservoirs and the rest of the networks.

### Who is liable for the payment of rates?

• The responsibility lies with the consumer - You, being a Mofokeng.

#### What is the rates' income used for?

 To cover the costs of all services that the RBN has provided such as purchases of water from Magalies Water and Rand Water companies; maintenance and improvement of our reservoir, pipe leakages, and also ensuring that we obtain a good quality of water.

### What happens if you don't pay?

- RBN will not be able to purchase water and maintain the infrastructure which supplies water to our homes.
- Suspension of services. e.g. water cut –off.
- Legal action will be taken against those who default.

### When to pay the account?

 Water connection and stand allocation payments are once off payments, followed by your monthly metered water bill.

### How to pay your account?

- All payments are made at the RBA Rates Office at Bafokeng Civic Centre.
- Cash payments or bank guaranteed cheques are welcome.

### **CONTACT US**

Rates Office Opening Hours: Mondays to Fridays between 08h00 to 17h00. Contact Number: 014 566 1214 Help us Save the Nation!

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### Selelo sa motlhalagadi

Ka Stan Montsho

Mogolokwane o ne wa batla o phatlhola botala jwa loapi. Lorole lwa inyalanya le kgokgotso ya letlaila, mme latlhalebowa e ne a imona phetelela ka dinama tse di farologaneng. Koma e ne ya tswelela go itaagana "dikuku di monate, lenyalo le bioma, rona re tsena ka sekgwa, legammana lone le tla sala le dibona".

Segopotso sa letsatsi la nyalo ya me, se tlisa monyebo mo pelong ya me. Senatla, rre Pego Dithole o ne a itseela kana, mme nna ka dumela fela. Jaaka ngwao ya kwa ga Dithole, mmatswale, Mmanta o ne nnaya leina, ka bitswa Mmamotse a! mosalagae, motlhapisa bo putswa, modisa wa tse ditlhotsang, le di gwetlha mangole. Ka letsatsi leo, mmatswale o ne a bolelela yo o ratang go utlwa gore, gompieno o tshegofaditswe ka ngwana wa mosetsana yo a sa bolong go mo lopa ka dithapelo mme a retelelelwa ke go mmona. Thari ya ga mmatswale e ne e le nona fela mme e sa tshegediwa ka gope.

Lerato, kene ke sa le tlhoke mme e bile ka dinako dingwe, ke eletsa go le abela bao ba le tlhokang. Ke ne ke le senwelo sa gauta mo matlhong a mogatsake rre Dithole, mme ebile ke le sejana sa selefera mo go mmatswale. Kwa bogadi, bane ba ipela thata ka ditiro tse dintle tsa matsogo ame. Ba ne ba rata boikobo le bopelonomi jwa me. Rratswale Ditshipi, e ne o ne a rata go babatsa kwa dipitseng tsa motogo, a bolelela ditsala gore ene ngwetsi ya gagwe ke mmalemao – mooki.

Madiba, ke ile garataro ka ke ne ke ikemiseditse go ato osa leina la mogatse le motse wa bogadi jwa me. Tshotlhe tse ke ne ke di dira ka fa tlase ga taolo e e ke efilweng ya gore bagwegadi ba tsholelwa pele mme nna, ke je morago. Re ne ra abelwa lefatshe dikgato di se kae gotswa kwa bogadi, mme ra aga motse o mogolo wa magana go lejwa. Motse o, re o agile ka lorato, le dithata tsa me le mogatse o a nnyetseng semolao. Ga ke a beelediwa ebile ga ke moithaupi mo lelapeng lame. Re dutse jalo ka boiketlo, le pelo e e edileng go se letsapa lepe le le fisang pelo.

Ka bomadimabe, ngwetsi ya malapa otlhe ene ya gadima motse wa me. Mme ya tsena jalo e sa lalediwa. Mogatse yo ke sa bolong go retologa le ene a fulara. Pelo ya ntshofala. Keledi ya elela e sa kgaotse, ka palama legogo ke sa ikemitsetsa.

Mme gone ke ne ke se monosi, mmatswale le rratswale ba ne ba le teng go nkgomotsa. Le fa ba se kitla ba tlhologanya boleng jwa botlhoko jo bo amileng maikutlo a me, ba ne ba le teng e le seikokotlelo same. Ke ne ka iketla ka tsaya gore ke gomotsegile.

Ntekwane, ke logelwa lemena ke mme le rre ba ke ba filweng ke mogatse ke sa ba kopa. Mmatswale le rratswale ba ne ba ntlhanogela, ka lebiwa ka matlho a letlhoo, ka tseelwa leina, Mmamotse. Sebakwa dithata tsa me le mogatse. Ka supiwa ka monwana ka bitswa mmolai, ka bolelelwa jaaka lenaba gore "se ke neng ke tlile ka sone kwa bogadi, se ile, mme nna ke tshwanelwa ke go boela kwa ke tswang teng." Ija! Ruri, bopelonomi bo bolaile mmamasilonoka.

Leeto le le botlhoko le ke tsamaileng le, ga le reye gore motho ope a seka a tsena mo nyalong ka e se botlhe ba ba tla diragalelwang ke se se ntiragaletseng. Se ke temoso fela ya gore batho, segolobolo basadi, ba bule matlho, ba fatlhoge, mme ba itse ditshwanelo tsa bone. Molao ga o dumele gore ba bogadi ba kganele motlhologadi yo o tshwanang le nna, boswa jo a bo tlogeletsweng ke mogatse. Se se diragala fa o nyetswe ka setso kana ka seeng.

Go ya ka molaotheo wa rona, lenyalo la setso ke le le kopanyang baratani morago ga dipuisano magareng ga malapa a bo mosadi le a bo monna me ba dumelelane. La seeng lone ke le baratani ba golagangwang kwa lefapheng la selegae.

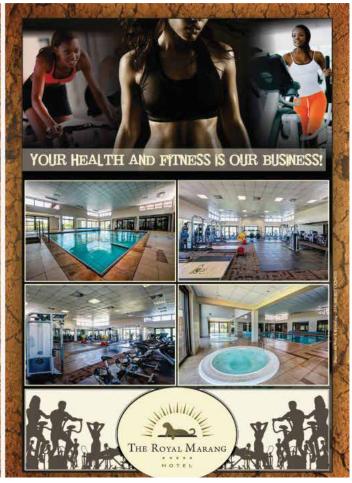
Basadi, a re emeng ka dinao re lweleng ditshwanelo tsa rona. A re se ikgolegeng menagano, ra fitlhela re dutse kwa kgolegelong mme re sa tshwarwa. Kana se, re se direla rona, metse ya rona, malapa a rona, bana ba rona le bokamoso jwa rona.



Ipeleng Nyatlo, from the RBA Junior NBA programme, attended the "Basketball without Borders" Global Camp in Toronto, earlier this year. The 16 year old learner at President Mangope Technical and Commercial High School was one of three players from Africa selected for the camp. "Basketball without Borders" offers the players an opportunity to learn directly from the NBA players, legends and coaches and to compete against

the best players from the world. Ipeleng is not only top of her class at school, but also an achiever in the basketball game. She boasts a Royal Bafokeng Junior NBA league Top Achiever and National Basketball Colours for her role in the National under 16 team competing in the Zone 6 Afro basket qualifier against Botswana in 2015.







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