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Big futures start with early exposure



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Pupils enjoy interactive experience, meeting professionals in uniform getting closer look at the work done in the community

Career awareness often begins only when learners are older, but Lusemanzi ECD is testing an earlier approach by introducing young children to working professionals.

The centre's Career Day on 29 August brought representatives from Emergency Medical Services, health services, JMPD and SAPS into direct contact with learners. Children could connect familiar uniforms with community roles while learning about possible futures. The programme also combined career exposure with safety education. EMS community educator Officer, Mphonyana Makau, warned children against playing with matches or objects that could start fires and cause injuries or environmental damage.

Lusemanzi's Founder and Principal, Lorato Duma, told OFN: "Having EMS, Health, JMPD and SAPS with us gave our children an opportunity to learn directly from the people serving their community."

The children's participation showed that complex topics can be introduced through accessible, face-to-face engagement. However, one event cannot measure whether their knowledge or aspirations changed. Repeated sessions, age-appropriate follow-up activities and feedback from parents would help assess the approach's longer-term value and keep career conversations growing as learners progress.

Professionals bring career paths closer to Grade 7 learners



Image: Orange Farm News

Curious minds meet real-world experience as learners ask questions and discover exciting new possibilities for their future careers

Limited access to practical career guidance can leave primary school learners choosing high-school subjects without understanding where those choices may lead. Reamohetsoe Primary School responded by connecting its Grade 7 learners directly with working professionals during its Career Day on 2 September.

Held under the theme "Explore today, inspire tomorrow, achieve your dreams," the event formed part of the school's Life Orientation programme. Learners questioned representatives from healthcare, policing, engineering, finance, journalism, broadcasting, writing and photography about qualifications, responsibilities and

career journeys.

Life Orientation educator, Nqobile Mbatha, said early exposure helps learners make informed decisions. "When they meet professionals, ask questions and hear how they built their careers, it helps them see what is possible and what they need to work towards," she said.

The approach makes career information practical and accessible before learners enter high school. However, one event cannot provide complete guidance. Continued support will be needed to help learners explore their interests, understand subject requirements and compare university, college and vocational pathways as their plans develop.

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Ubugebengu e-Orange Farm bukhuphuke ngo 42%



Violent offences reported at Orange Farms SAPS have risen steadily since 2022, placing pressure on policing and community safety efforts.

The station recorded 588 contact crimes between April and June 2026, compared with 546 during the same period last year. That is an increase of 42 cases, or 7.7%, according to SAPS quarterly crime statistics.

The longer-term trend is severe. Recorded cases climbed from 415 in 2022 to 439 in 2023 and 535 in 2024 before reaching 546 in 2025. The latest total represents an increase of about 42% in four years.

Contact crime covers offences committed against a person, including murder, attempted murder, sexual offences, assault, common robbery and aggravated robbery. Orange Farms now ranks 24th among South Africa's 30 police stations with the highest contact crimes and ninth in Gauteng.

The figures reflect crimes recorded by the police and may not capture offences that went unreported. However, the sustained rise points to a local trend requiring targeted prevention, stronger investigations and closer cooperation between police and residents.

Theft of termination pills land Stretford CHC clerks behind bars



Swift intervention at the facility triggered three arrests and a widening investigation

A security checkpoint at a public Orange Farm clinic has exposed an internal medication theft case, placing controls over medicines under scrutiny.

Police were called to the facility at about 15:00 on 27 August after security guards stopped a person leaving the premises and found missing medication on them.

Investigators connected three administration clerks to the medicine, according to police. The individual reportedly paid one clerk R500 for pills used to terminate a pregnancy. The three employees were arrested at Orange Farm Police Station on theft charges. They are expected to appear

before the Vereeniging Magistrates' Court soon.

"Investigations into the matter are continuing," Orange Farms SAPS Corporate Communication, Sgt Shaan Motsapi, said.

The arrests show how frontline security can help detect suspected losses, but questions remain about how the medication left the dispensary and whether stock-control weaknesses enabled the transaction.

The charges have not been tested in court. Further investigation must establish responsibility, determine whether additional medicine is missing and identify safeguards needed to prevent similar incidents.

Police uniforms and AK-47 seized in N1 hijacking bust



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Police seized firearms, uniforms and a signal jammer during the operation

A suspected hijacking crew equipped with police uniforms, an AK-47 and a signal jammer were stopped near Drieziek 5 following a shootout with officers on 25 August.

Police arrested 17 suspects after acting on intelligence that a truck was being targeted near the N1 and a plot in Rietfontein. Officers found the group camping at the property before moving in at 09:00. Orange Farm SAPS spokesperson Sgt Shaan Motsapi said the suspects opened fire as police approached, triggering an exchange of gunfire. Four suspects were wounded and taken to hospital under police guard.

The operation yielded an AK-47 rifle, four pistols, five vehicles, a signal-jamming device, traffic police uniforms, reflector jackets, balaclavas, gloves and a cutting grinder.

Three arrested are foreign nationals. The suspects face charges including conspiracy to commit a crime, attempted murder, possession of unlicensed firearms and impersonating police officers. They are expected to appear in the Vereeniging Magistrate's Court.

Sedibeng District Commissioner Major General, Nkhensani Mukwevho, praised the intelligence and highway patrol teams behind the operation.



Image: Supplied

From creative dreams to cultivating change, the duo is digging towards a brighter future

Creative income grows local food enterprise

Two Orange Farm creatives are turning earnings from art and music into a response to food insecurity and scarce youth employment.

Vusumuzi Nkosi and Mpho Jeffrey Rikhotso, used their own savings to establish a potato project near Lakeside Park in Ext 1. Without outside funding, they have planted 400 grow bags and now aim to exceed 1,000. "We are artists, but we also believe in food security. We want to show that land is a job if you work it," they said. Their method offers an accessible starting point: use available land, begin

with manageable bag cultivation and reinvest income to expand production. It demonstrates initiative, but its ability to create sustainable livelihoods remains unproven. Growth depends on reliable water, suitable inputs, training, mentorship and access to markets. The pair needs seed potatoes, compost, soil, grow bags, irrigation equipment and a JoJo tank. Sponsors, agricultural organisations and experienced farmers are invited to inspect the project and provide assistance. For mentorship, orders or support, contact Vusi on 079 060 2337.



Image: City of Johannesburg

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Orange Farm World Cup giveaway winner receives R2 000 prize



A World Cup dream turned into a winning moment for Bandle Sithole, who received his prizes during a handover on 26 August after winning the OFN World Cup Giveaway. Sithole walked away with a Bafana Bafana official 2026 jersey, the official 2026 World Cup ball, an Orange Farm News beanie and scarf, with the prize package valued at R2 000. The handover was made by Wendy Poopedi, Orange Farm News Journalist, and Mpho Motaung, Orange Farm News Journalist, who presented Sithole with his winning package.

Five trophies reward lessons beyond textbooks



Image: Reamohetsoe Primary School

Learners and staff celebrate trophies and certificate earned at Kool 2B South African National Flag Colours of National Pride Patriotism awards

Reamohetsoe Primary School is showing how values education can move beyond textbooks by enabling learners to practise patriotism, responsibility and care. The approach earned the school five trophies and one certificate at the Kool 2B South African National Flag Colours of National Pride Patriotism Awards in Pretoria on 22 August. Through flag displays, National Identity Thursday challenges and activities supporting vulnerable people, the school turns constitutional principles into action. Its recognition included awards for creativity, social cohesion and learners' care for vulnerable community members.

Life Orientation teacher, Nqobile Mbatha, was named Best Creative Values in Education Educator, while the principal received an award for supporting patriotic education. Pastor Siziwe Molwana from Johannesburg South District D11 was also recognised. "We want learners to understand patriotism, respect, responsibility and caring for others, and to carry those values beyond the classroom," Mbatha speaking OFN. The model gives schools ideas that can be incorporated into learning without a separate subject. However, longer-term evidence is needed to determine whether the programme produces changes in learner behaviour.

Rhiza Launches Community Training Hub in Orange Farm to Drive Youth Development and Economic Inclusion

Rhiza is proud to announce the opening of a new community-based training centre in Orange Farm, designed to create opportunities for learning, entrepreneurship, digital inclusion and future-focused skills development on 11 September at the Ext 2 Taxi Rank. The Hub has been established in partnership with the Orange Farm United Taxi Association (OFUTA), reflecting a shared commitment to creating greater access to development opportunities within the Orange Farm community. Through this partnership, Rhiza is able to bring skills development and other empowerment programmes closer to the people they are intended to serve. The Hub will serve as a central platform where young people, entrepreneurs, learners and community members can access a range of empowerment programmes aimed at building sustainable livelihoods, strengthening local capabilities and contributing to the growth of the local economy. Through Rhiza's integrated development approach, the Hub will host several transformative initiatives, including:

- Skills Development Programmes: Focused on improving employability and workplace readiness.
 - Robotics and Digital Learning Programmes: Designed to equip school learners with critical STEM, coding, digital literacy and problem-solving skills for the future of learning and work.
 - Enterprise Development Initiatives: Supporting aspiring and existing business owners and suppliers through training, mentorship, networking and access to business growth opportunities.
 - Digital Access Opportunities: Promoting technology literacy and helping to bridge the digital divide within the community.
- "The opening of the Orange Farm Hub represents our commitment to bringing meaningful opportunities and essential development services closer to the community. The Hub will create a space where young people, learners, entrepreneurs and community members can access skills development, digital learning, enterprise support and other programmes that enable them to learn, grow and participate more actively in the economy. We see this

as an important step in building a more empowered, capable and connected Orange Farm community," said Rhiza representative Fortunate Masvinge. The Hub also aligns with Rhiza's broader mission of addressing social challenges through collaborative, community-driven solutions that promote education, health, economic development and digital inclusion. The establishment of the Hub builds on Rhiza's broader presence and investment in Orange Farm, which includes an Mpathy Clinic and Amathuba farm that provides a practical learning environment for aspiring young agripreneurs. Together, these initiatives reflect Rhiza's integrated approach to community

development, creating access to health services, skills, enterprise development and pathways to sustainable livelihoods. Community members, partners, educational institutions, government stakeholders and businesses are invited to engage with the Hub and contribute to its vision of building empowered, capable and connected communities. For info contact: 011 462 7431



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Partnerships drive safety and empowerment in Orange Farm



Guests listen to speakers and explore services offered by participating organisation during the programme

Women and community stakeholders gathered at Meals on Wheels Community Services in Orange Farm on 26 August for a Women's Day outreach focused on empowerment, wellbeing and public safety.

The programme brought together Meals on Wheels, JMPD, FNB, NISSA and other organisations to share information with attendees. Transport and learner safety formed part of the messages

delivered during the event. Bongani Maphoto of Meals on Wheels said community partnerships were important in addressing challenges affecting women, children and families. Maphoto told **OFN**: "Our role is not only to provide meals, but to create platforms where communities can receive information, support and encouragement." Imbumba Learner Transport's, Nonhlanhla Lawsons, urged transport operators, parents

and learners to make safety a shared responsibility. "Learners must be transported in roadworthy vehicles by responsible drivers who obey the rules of the road. Parents should also know who is transporting their children and speak up when they notice unsafe practices," Lawsons said. The event included presentations, motivational talks, entertainment, breakfast, fitness activities and lunch for those attending.



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- * 2 cloves ugali
- * 2 amaqabunga e-bay leaf
- * 1 tsp curry powder
- * 1 tsp paprika
- * 1 beef stock cube
- * 5 cups amanzi
- * 1 tsp usawoti
- * 1 tsp upelepele omnyama

Uphuthu Oluthambile

- * 2 cups impuphu yombila
- * 5 cups amanzi
- * ½ tsp usawoti

Indlela Yokupheka

- Geza usu/mogodu kahle ngamanzi abandayo. Uma kusanephunga, lubilise imizuzu engu-10, uchithe lawo manzi bese uligeze futhi.
- Faka usu ebhodweni elikhulu namanzi ahlankile, ama-bay leaves nosawoti omncane. Bilisa imizuzu engu-45-60 ukuze lithambe.
- Faka u-anyanisi, ugali, stock cube, curry powder, paprika nopelepele omnyama. Pheka emlilweni ophansi eminye imizuzu engu-25-30 kuze usu luthambe kahle futhi kube nomsoco.
- Nambitha ngaphambi kokwengeza omunye usawoti, ngoba i-stock cube isivele sinosawoti.

Ukwenza uphuthu

- Bilisa izinkomishi ezi-5 zamanzi nosawoti omncane.
- Hlanganisa impuphu namanzi abandayo amancane ukwenza ingxube ebushalelezi. Yithele kancane emanzini abilayo, bese ugoqoze.
- Yehlisa umlilo bese upheka imizuzu engu-20-30, ugoqoze kuze uphuthu luthambe futhi lubebushalelezi.

Phaka usu/mogodu lushisa nophuthu oluthambile.

Taylor's Tip: Uma ubheka ushukela, thatha uphuthu oluncane bese wandisa ulusu/mogodu.

Institutions unite to strengthen GBV response



Stakeholders discuss coordinated support and stronger referral pathways for GBV survivors

Organisations and institutions met at the Skills Centre on 31 August to strengthen their response to gender-based violence and improve support for survivors.

Hosted by LVA under its integrated approach to gender-based violence, the stakeholder meeting called for closer cooperation between organisations for prevention, protection and support. Participants discussed how institutions can coordinate services, share information and ensure survivors are directed to assistance without being sent from one office to another. Boitumelo Pinkoane said collaboration was necessary to turn advocacy into help for people experiencing abuse.

"Gender-based violence cannot be addressed by one organisation working alone. Institutions must communicate, understand their responsibilities and build a response that places survivors' safety and dignity first," Pinkoane said. The approach recognises that survivors may require services, including healthcare, counselling, policing, legal assistance and shelter. Bringing stakeholders together can help expose gaps and clarify referral pathways. However, the initiative's success will depend on whether discussions result in commitments, accountable partnerships and services that residents can access when they need help.

Peer dialogue builds support beyond Women's Month



Participants exchange experiences during an empowerment discussion in Extension 1

Thirty participants gathered in Orange Farm Ext 1 on 26 August to test a community-led response to the isolation and information gaps women experience.

Organised by Intouch Youth Development and Community Justice, the Women's Dialogue used panel discussions and peer learning to help participants speak about their challenges, understand their rights and identify ways to support one another. Three panellists led conversations on women's rights, personal development and community participation. The small-group format created room for shared experiences rather than one-way instruction. "This dialogue was about creating a space where women could speak openly, learn from one another and realise the power they have to bring change within their communities," Intouch founder, Ronald Kapaso said. The partnership provides a model other organisations could adapt by combining local facilitators, information and peer support. However, attendance alone does not demonstrate lasting empowerment. No follow-up data showed whether participants accessed services, formed support networks or took community action. Kapaso said the initiative would continue beyond Women's Month, creating an opportunity to track those results.

Screening campaign bridges care gap in Drieziek



The campaign offered families several preventative healthcare services at one accessible location

Healthcare moved closer to residents on 3 September when the Sizanani Community Development Project and Mbalenhle Clinic turned Drieziek 3 Circle into a screening point. The outreach responded to barriers that can prevent residents from seeking care, including the need to travel to clinics. By offering services at one accessible site, the partners created an opportunity for families to identify health risks sooner. Residents received HIV and TB screening, health education, family planning, Pap smears, immunisation, deworming, pregnancy tests and vital-sign checks. Prostate screening,

PrEP and condoms were also available. Young people were included and received Tiko vouchers to encourage them to use health services. "Taking services into the community helped us reach people where they are. The event was successful, and our collaboration with Mbalenhle Clinic allowed residents to access services in one place," said Nomsa Sibaya. The outreach shows how clinics and organisations can work together to improve access. However, organisers did not provide attendance figures or screening outcomes, making its reach and impact difficult to measure.

Grassroots commitment puts Abel in the spotlight



A proud milestone celebrates a mission devoted to lifting others

Public voting has opened for the 2026 South African Kasi Heroes Awards, placing community advocate Abel Mosianedi in contention for recognition. He was nominated in the Kasi Community Builder of the Year category, honouring people responding to local challenges and creating opportunities for others. Mosianedi told OFN: "Community building is not about recognition, but about making a difference and helping create opportunities and hope for others." The awards provide a platform for grassroots contributors whose work can otherwise go unnoticed. By combining public nominations, panel selection and voting, the programme seeks to make local service visible and encourage participation in community development. However, neither the organisers nor Mosianedi provided details of the initiatives, number of beneficiaries or measurable results behind his nomination. That limits independent assessment of his impact and the lessons others could apply. Voting opened on 2 September and closes on 14 November. Winners will be honoured at the awards ceremony on 21 November. Mosianedi said the nomination motivates him to continue serving and supporting people in his community.



Poised and powerful, Palesa is ready for the glory

Let's crown Palesa!

Orange Farm finalist Palesa Moeketsi is turning her Face of Finetown campaign into a rallying call for young women to own their dreams and step into new opportunities. Moeketsi is among the finalists, where public voting could help carry her forward. She believes her journey represents more than herself. "This journey is not just about me, but about representing Orange Farm and Finetown and inspiring girls in our communities to believe that their dreams are valid no matter where they come from," she said. Supporters can vote using her competition reference, FOFT 005. Voting packages begin at R5 for three votes, with further options available to those wanting to boost her campaign. "My goal is to bring the crown home to our community, but I need our community's support and votes to make it possible," Moeketsi said. Residents can follow Face of Finetown on its social media platforms for official voting information. Every vote moves Moeketsi closer to the title and strengthens her message that background should never limit ambition.

Mokhathi boldly steps onto global bookshelf



Fourteen months of determination have transformed handwritten hopes into a debut

Ntoko Stephen Mokhathi, has transformed a suggestion from his partner into a literary journey rooted in love, loss and African identity. His confidence as a writer deepened after attending the Sedibeng TVET College Language Festival. Watching local authors and storytellers share their work convinced him that his own experiences deserved space on the page. "That festival opened my eyes. I saw how powerful our voices and stories are when we put them on paper," Mokhathi said. He spent 14 months writing Melody's, often working before his responsibilities, late at night and throughout weekends. The collection explores life, love, loss and healing. Mokhathi released the book on Africa Day, 25 May, as a tribute to his late mother, whose love for stories and belief in him shaped his creative path. "She loved stories, she loved Africa, and she believed in me before anyone else did," he added. Melody's is available on Amazon Kindle, Apple Books and Google Play Books. Mokhathi is writing his second book, which will explore family and legacy.



Fakalo turns kasi stories to sound and style

Musician Teboho Pule, known as Fakalo, is combining music and fashion to widen his path into the industry. The Ext 3 artist performs Sesotho hip hop shaped by kasi life, love, struggle and ambition. He is preparing an album featuring ShaddyTee, Kmoo and Lamakhosikazi. "This album is about the hustle, love, encouragement and the real things we experience in Orange Farm," Fakalo told OFN. His approach extends beyond recording. In 2024, he launched streetwear label Fakalo Material 90C, using the slogan "Hustle Never Disappoint" and a Crowned Bear mascot symbolising royalty, resilience and reward. Combining sound and clothing gives Fakalo more ways to express his story, grow an audience and create opportunities around his talent. However, the album's release date and the brand's reach remain unclear, making audience response a measure of progress. For now, Fakalo is turning township experiences into a platform he hopes can travel far beyond his community.

Xtreem takes Orange Farm sound to bigger stages



From national television to YFM and the finals of Clash of the Regions, Orange Farm artist Sanele Masilela is building momentum with the release of his debut EP, Farmton Baby. Known on stage as Xtreem Makhayeni, the Ext 2 musician released the project on 7 August as a tribute to the community that shaped him. Its title reflects his roots, identity and ambition to carry Orange Farm's sound onto bigger platforms. "I'd love to share my journey as an artist representing the community," Xtreem said. The release follows a breakthrough year in which he performed at major events, reached the Clash of the Regions finals, appeared on national television and secured his first radio interview on YFM. Farmton Baby now gives the artist an opportunity to introduce himself through his music while showing other township creatives that their postcode does not have to limit their reach. Despite his growing profile, Orange Farm remains central to Xtreem's story. He hopes the EP will attract new listeners and spotlight talent emerging from his hometown.



Development programme turns talent into titles



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Proud teammates savour a well-earned moment beneath the floodlights following victory

A flawless five-game campaign has placed Orange Farm's female cricketers in the spotlight, extending their remarkable record and inspiring younger players across the wider community.

The team won the 2026 Renegades Night Series on 29 August after completing five matches without defeat. Captain Zama Sithole added to the celebration by earning the Bowler of the Tournament award.

The result follows consecutive Lions School League titles in the 2023/24 and 2024/25 seasons and victory in the 2026 Jozi Cup. Coaches Bongani Ramathe and Retshi Moleko, together with Nokuthula Kalanga and Bufelo, have created a space where players develop their skills and grow personally.

"For us, this is bigger than winning trophies. We want to develop confident young women and use cricket to give them a positive path for their future," Ramathe said. However, limited resources could restrict the programme's reach. The club needs playing kits, training equipment and transport to attend practices and competitions regularly. Businesses, organisations and residents willing to assist may contact 073 573 2540 or 067 251 3748.

Young Magic targets Soweto top 16 glory



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Coach Sam Mokoena's players stand united ahead of their next competitive outing

A second shot at Soweto glory awaits a group of Orange Farm footballers selected for an Under-15 Top 16 tournament on 23 September.

Young Magic FC will test themselves against some of Soweto's leading youth teams after securing their second invitation to the competition.

Coach, Sam "Guardiola" Mokoena, believes the return signals the club's growing reputation beyond Orange Farm, but this year's tournament also carries personal meaning. It coincides with his mother, Annah Mokoena's, birthday celebrations, and he wants the team to deliver the trophy as her gift.

"This tournament will be personal for me because I will be in my mom's birthday celebration mood. We are grateful for another opportunity to compete against top teams away from home," Mokoena told OFN.

He credited his mother as a constant source of support and dedicated the campaign to her.

With pride and silverware at stake, the squad will use the coming weeks to sharpen its game before taking another shot at Soweto glory.

Tshepiso ea dibeke tse nne e beha Mmabo Ground pontsheng



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United voices have pushed a neglected sporting space closer to renewal

Boitlamo ba ho nchafatsa Mmabo Ground bo fa baahi ba Drieziek 1 nako ea ho lekola tsoelo-pele le ho batla boikarabello.

Tshepiso ena e ile ea latela kopano ea la 31 Phato, moo baahi ba ileng ba hlahisa matshwenyeho ka boemo ba leballa le ditshila tse lahleloang moo.

Orange Farm Local Football Association (OFLFA), baemeli ba sechaba, ActionSA ward 4 le k'hampani ea kaho ba bile teng.

Ho boletsoe hore mosebetsi o tla qala nakong ea dibeke tse nne. Ho kopanya baahi le ba ikarabellang ho hlahisitse nako e bahiloeng, e bontshang kamoo tshebedisano ea sechaba e ka fetolang mantsoe hore e be diketso. "Re batla ho bona ditshepiso tsa kajeno di fetoha ntshetsopele ea nnete," ho beletse mongodi oa OFLFA, Patrick Mokwena.

Leha ho le jwalo, karabelo e ntse e le qalong. Dintlha tsa mosebetsi, tekanyetso, mokonteraka le letsatsi la phetho ha di so hlalose.

Tsoelo-pele e tla itshetleha ka dintlafatso tse pepeneneng OFLFA e re leballa le ntlafalitsoeng le tla fa dibadi sebaka se sireletsehileng sa ho ikoetlisa, ho hloobisana le ntlafatsa talente.