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REAL LIVES. REAL HOPE. REAL IMPACT.

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Psalm 68:5–6

"A father to the fatherless, a defender  
of widows, is God in His holy dwelling.  
God sets the lonely in families."



# CREATIVITY IN FULL COLOUR



Guided with patience and love, our children discovered new textures, colours, flavours, and ways to express themselves. Through painting, crafting, and tasting activities they explored the world with curiosity and confidence. Each moment became an opportunity to learn through play, connection, and joyful experimentation. Thank you to our dedicated team for making learning feel magical and meaningful every day.

# LEARNING IS FUN!



Our ECD children explored storms and weather this month, learning how nature moves, sounds, and changes. They also enjoyed Action Ball sessions that strengthened their balance, coordination, fine motor skills and confidence through active play. Sorting colours and stacking cups helped them build early maths skills in a fun, hands-on way. Each activity brought curiosity and meaningful learning each day.



# LITTLE HELPERS



Our little helpers rolled up their sleeves and got busy keeping their yard clean and tidy, turning teamwork into a joyful adventure. They loved collecting leaves and discovering how much fun it can be to care for their space. What might seem like a small activity became a meaningful lesson. As they worked side by side, the children learned about responsibility, pride in their surroundings and the value of teamwork. There was plenty of excitement as they helped one another and celebrated a job well done. Moments like these gently shape important life skills, showing our children that every contribution matters and that when we work together, even simple tasks can become something special. Small hands, big hearts, and even bigger teamwork at work!

# ADVENTURE

Fresh air, open space, and little wheels rolling forward...the perfect recipe for childhood joy. The children love spending time outdoors, laughing, racing and enjoying the freedom to play. Moments like these build friendships, confidence and happy memories along the way.



# BABY STEPS



Every big journey begins with a few brave little steps. With determination and a helping hand close by, this little one is discovering the joy of learning to walk and explore the world. At iKhaya, we have the privilege of walking alongside many children from a young and tender age, nurturing and guiding them as they grow from baby steps into confident young people. Tiny steps today, shaping strong and hopeful futures tomorrow.

# Happy Valentine's Day



Dressed in cheerful shades of red and white, the children enjoyed celebrating Valentine's Day at school. There was plenty of excitement as they proudly showed off their outfits and shared the day with their friends. It was a sweet reminder of the love, friendship and joy that fill our home each day.



## FASHION ACADEMY

One of our young ladies is thriving in her sewing lessons at Cozy M Fashion Academy, growing more confident behind the machine each week. She's mastering new skills with patience and excitement, and her progress has been a joy to watch.



## SHAP BABY! 2026

Shap Baby! is a fundraising project started with the Half Ironman in 2025. We are preparing to sell mech this year with the children's artwork..keep an eye out to get yours!

Dear friends of iKhaya

# A Personal Note

February has been a month filled with love, colour, courage, and connection. From our little ones exploring new skills to our older learners discovering their passions, we've watched growth unfold in the most beautiful ways. Every smile, every small achievement, and every shared moment reminds us why this work matters so deeply.

Our gas installations were upgraded and two of our gas hobs were replaced through the generosity of Petregaz. What a pleasure it has been to cook on these new stoves and enjoy a safer, smoother kitchen experience. We also put out a call for support for our busiest birthday month, March, and we are truly blown away by the response with so many hearts stepping forward to bless our children with gifts and cakes that make them feel loved and worthy. We then faced a hiccup when our bus suddenly needed a new clutch, but once again we witnessed incredible kindness and favour. Many offered to assist with school lifts, and Toyota SA stepped in to cover the full repair bill. We are in awe of every gift received and God's steady hand of provision over our home.

We are thrilled to announce the launch of Shap BABY! 2026, where Ansa and her incredible team are aiming to raise a remarkable R150,000 for us this year. The project will run across multiple events, starting with the Half Ironman and ending with the Comrades Marathon in June. You can follow their journey on Instagram and GivenGain, and this year we're excited to introduce athlete and supporter merch, proudly co-designed by our children. Please follow on Instagram, @shapbabyproject, share, and get yours to show your support.

Thank you for being part of our iKhaya family, your support, love, and presence continue to make this home a place of belonging and possibility.

Love and greetings from  
Loressa, The Board, Staff and Children



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