

## Our 2020 graduates showed their grit

Turning great minds into great teachers

For most, 2020 brought its challenges, but this was certainly so for our final year teachers in training, who were learning to teach in a year hit by lockdown and school closures. But they faced this challenge and graduated with a BEd!



Well done to new teachers **Nathier Sadan, Asma Sydow and Nuelin Hendricks.**



**LOOK WHAT WE KNITTED** The late **Cindy Okeleshe, Bonke Masizane and Happy Nenemba** show off the blanket.

## We can knit... can you?

**We challenge you to knit a blanket for the 67 Nelson Mandela Blanket Drive**

Knitting does not come easy to our trusty Teacher's Plus team. It took lessons from facilitators, peers and Google, but in the end every member – students, facilitators and management – managed to knit at least one square. The result is this proudly-SA blanket, designed by Happy Nenemba, who won their design competition. This is the second year the team have done this.

'Knitting is not as easy as it looks,' says Brenda Elshove. 'If we can do it, so can you!'

**To get knitting, contact Teachers Plus or log onto <https://67blankets.co.za/>**



**LEARNING TO KNIT** They may be good at numbers, but knitting is a new challenge for **Nafeesah Abrahams, Claude Coskey, Mogamat (Nathier) Sadan** and accounting facilitator **Colleen Hodge.**

*"Teachers Plus gave me a passion for teaching Accounting I never dreamed possible."*

**NATHIER SADAN**  
 EMS AND ACCOUNTING  
 TEACHER, FAIRBAIRN  
 COLLEGE

*"I could not have graduated without the time and expertise invested in me by Teachers Plus."*

**ASMA SYDOW**  
 GRADE 2 TEACHER,  
 SID G RULE PRIMARY

*"I am excited to make a difference by being a great Mathematics teacher."*

**NUELIN HENDRICKS**  
 MATHEMATICS TEACHER,  
 SOUTH PENINSULA HIGH

## WE ARE LOOKING FOR FUTURE TEACHERS



**DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES** Scholarship students, **Bonke Masizana, Michael-Jade Petersen** and **Esihle Fetman**, bump up their maths skills by learning about Pi.

Do you know someone who lives in Cape Town and has what it takes to become a Teachers Plus Advancing Professional Teaching (APT) Scholarship student?

**Applications open in April. Visit [www.teachersplus.co.za](http://www.teachersplus.co.za) for more info.**

## Remembering Cindy

**Our Foundation and Teachers Plus teams are heartbroken after the loss of Cindy Qekeeshe in January**

*Here is what they wrote:* The world feels smaller without Cindy. Warm, friendly, hardworking and ambitious, nothing was impossible for her. She excelled at all she tackled. A great role model and ambassador, Cindy's bright smile lit up a room. She was a loving daughter, mother, wife, friend and an exceptional colleague. Cindy was loved by all. Our lives are richer for having known her.

