

Cancer awareness held at Buffelsdale Primary



Learners from Buffelsdale Primary School and their teachers

Buffelsdale Primary School's Soul Buddyz Club held a very successful childhood cancer awareness programme on 18 October.

The Buddyz decided to take responsibility and action by choosing to stand up to cancer.

The keynote speakers were Dr Zhinelle Pillay and Dr Thenushka Jogi. Dr Jogi highlighted the effects of childhood cancer of the

eye, retinoblastoma, a malignant tumour of the retina that usually develops in children.

Dr Pillay told the audience about the high rate of childhood cancer. Sandra Govender gave an account of her experiences and how she overcame cancer.

The audience were moved emotionally by performances of songs on cancer and dance by the Buddyz. Premi Naidu, facilitator of the

Buffelsdale Soul Buddyz Club, said, "Approximately R10 000 has been collected and the proceeds of this fundraiser will be donated to Orbis Africa, a non-profit organisation, committed to raising funds to purchase Ret Cams, sight saving machines that detects cancer of the eye at an early stage."

She thanked all individuals and organisations for their generous contributions, to help raise much-needed funds.