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CELEBRATIONS

The Department of Exercise and Sports Sciences has launched their new undergraduate programme in Biokinetics.

A professional degree in Biokinetics has been approved and applications for 2017 for the degree B.Biokinetics are now open.

Programme Director: 051 401 2289
Applications: 051 401 7513/6

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HEALTH AND WELLNESS – AN EDUCATIONAL EFFORT

Students in Optometry, Nursing and Medicine participated in a health and wellness day at Coca Cola Fortune in Bloemfontein. Teaching and learning are addressed in a serious manner, hence the high quality of academic programmes. Participation in various professional and national organizations as well as the Faculty's contribution to research has shifted the focus of teaching and training from a purely professional base to a combined professional and educational effort.

DIABETES CAMP – FUNLIKE LEARNING

The annual diabetes camp, hosted by the Department of Nutrition and Dietetics in collaboration with the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health was held during April.

The theme for the 2016 camp was "survivor."

Final-year Dietetics students were responsible for planning, calculating, preparing and serving meals and snacks during the camp.

Educational activities, with the aim of educating the children on how to control their blood glucose levels, made for a fun-like learning experience. The fourth-years also stayed with the children overnight in order to monitor their blood glucose levels every two hours.

Third-year Dietetics students were responsible for a three-course Sunday afternoon lunch as part of their Food Service Management module.



AUTISM EXPERTS VISIT DEPARTMENT OF PAEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH

Autism awareness day is annually held during April - a day to shine a light on autism as a growing global health crisis.

Professor Petrus de Vries of the Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Division at the University of Cape Town, along with members of the Autism in Africa Research

Consortium, visited the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health.

Children with autism were evaluated and the team gave advice to speech and occupational therapists regarding intervention in autism spectrum disorders.

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