# CEEBEE IS 25 YEARS OLD! FEBRUARY 2024





# **WELCOME TO 2024**

The year is already well on its way.

2024 is an exciting year for CeeBee Debt Management Services, as we celebrate our 25th anniversary on the 1st of March 2024.

In 25 years, we have grown from one woman working from home with two schools as clients, to a company in three buildings, with staff of 132 servicing over 750 schools nationwide.

Our annual collections in 1999 were just under R1 million. In 2023 we collected R127 million for our schools!

Charleen Brake is our founding Director, and still very much the driving force in CeeBee.



2004 – R4 million collected for our 49 schools!



2023 – R127 million collected for our + 750 schools!!!

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### **NEW LEGAL OFFICES**

We have purchased our third property at 235 Rondebult Road to accommodate our growing Legal Team.

We have had to increase our staff in the legal team, as our client base continues to expand.

Additional collectors have taken over the Legal team's office space at 228 Rondebult Road.

We celebrated the opening of the offices on the 30th of January 2024.







Our in-house attorney Megan Oosthuizen & her team



From left to right: Samantha Johnson, Senior Manager of Legal and Tracing; Simone Porter, Managing Director (LLB); Mpho Mkhwanazi; Legal Processing Manager (National Diploma Para-legal); Megan Oosthuizen, General Manager Legal (BCom)(LLB)





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#### **EXEMPTION PROCESSING SERVICE**

CeeBee provides an Exemption processing service, that includes a full verification of the parent's financial status. We then analyse the application on your behalf, in terms of the Exemption Regulations, and prepare the outcome letters for the School Governing Body to sign off. We also do the requisite control sheets, and a statistical report of all your Exemption applications.

We had to increase our exemption service costs due to inflation, as well as the increased costs of the traces. The traces assist with more accurate information on the parent's financial status, which the parents don't always share with the school. The exemption processing service is offered to our clients at an increased rate of R100 per exemption, excluding VAT.

Alternatively, if you prefer to process your own applications, we can provide you, at no cost, with a comprehensive report reflecting the parent's financial status, living standard measurement (LSM), contact details, address verification, employment details, Directorships, and property ownership.

In terms of the POPI Act parents will need to give permission for this information verification when signing off their Exemption application. We can supply you with the correct wording.

For our existing clients we do Exemption Workshops at your school, at no charge. Please liaise with us if you would like us to do an Exemption Workshop at your school.

> Update from the Desk of Simone Porter CeeBee Managing Director (LLB)



# NEW SCHOOLS SIGNED SINCE OUR LAST NEWSLETTER IN OCTOBER 2023

We welcomed the following schools to the CeeBee family:

**Gauteng**: Northside College; Royal Christian Academy Midrand; Gibson Pillay Learning Academy; Zwartkop Christian School; Benoni West Primary School; Jules High School; Montessori Africa; Taroko School; Hill College School; Gospel Garden School; St Aquinas College Alexandra & Wynberg; St Aquinas College Tshwane; Arbor Primary School; Cross-over Remedial School; Buccleuch Primary School. **Eastern Cape**: Kowie Foundation School; Alexander Road High School. **KZN**: Vista Independent Primary School; Hermannsburg School; Edinvest School Etham College; Greytown Junior School; Woodcrest Academy; Clonard Education (Pty) Ltd. **North West**: Milner High School. **West Rand**: Krugersdorp Town School; Laerskool Horison. **Free State**: C. en N. Sekondêre Meisieskool Oranje; Dr. Bohmer Vaardigheidskool; Villiers Gekombineerde Skool. **Limpopo**: Champions Combined Academy; Laerskool Tuinplaas. **Western Cape**: Sea Point Primary; Islamia College Cape Town; Groote Schuur Primary School; Bergyliet Primary School.

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