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LEZAAN'S STORY

29-year-old Lezaan grew up on Delheim Wine Estate where she currently resides. Lezaan attended the Early Childhood Development (ECD) centre on Delheim Wine Estate as a baby and at the age of six she joined the Pebbles Project After-School Club.

Lezaan knew from a young age what she wanted to do with her life. She says: "I've always dreamed of becoming a chef one day." When Lezaan finished high school, the Social Work team at Pebbles Project assisted Lezaan to enrol to complete a hospitality course at Stellemploy in Stellenbosch.

When Lezaan turned 21, she fell pregnant. It was a life altering moment for her. She says: "That's when I realised that working as a chef might not be the best career for me, because the hours are very long and I wouldn't get to be at home in the evenings to spend time with my daughter."

Lezaan's daughter inspired her to pursue a different career path. She says: "The birth of my baby girl made me realise that I have a passion for working with children."

Lezaan decided to inquire whether she could become involved at the Pebbles After-School Club. Soon after, Lezaan was employed as a practitioner at the Pebbles After-School Club on Delheim Wine Estate.

Lezaan has been working at the After-School Club for 5 years and finds fulfilment in her work. She says: "I can truly say that I enjoy what I do. I've been working at the Pebbles After-School Club for 5 years now. The most exhilarating feeling is when I get to help the children with their homework and I can see that they leave the facility feeling more confident than they did when they first walked in."

Lezaan is grateful to Pebbles. She says: "**I can confidently say that Pebbles had a positive impact on my life. Pebbles have taught me so much, especially at the practitioner training sessions. The training that Pebbles offers gives you an opportunity to grow and improve your skills. All of the things I've learned have helped shape me into the person I am today. Even when I think back to when I was still a child attending the Pebbles After-School Club, the fact that they taught me how to work on a computer, these are all valuable skills that I am so grateful for today. Pebbles have helped me so much; they've taught me so much.**"

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