



## Testimonial

We are the parents of a beautiful 9 year old little boy, Ryno.

He was born in June 2003 and at first developed quite normally, but we noticed that he was not speaking after the age of 2 years, and did not seem to develop socially either.

We took him to numerous doctors and specialists, all to no avail, and in 2008 he was finally diagnosed with Autism by a specialist in JHB.

The diagnosis was a huge shock to us, but after coming to terms with it (to some extent), we launched ourselves into researching every aspect of autism, and the treatments that are available in South Africa.

Because South Africa's research and facilities with regards to Autism is severely limited, it proved immensely difficult to find a suitable school for Ryno that met his needs.

Eventually one of the therapists that was treating Ryno, introduced us to a couple from Ruimsig in Roodepoort that had started a school for Autism in SA, based on the ABA programme from the USA.

LUC Academy caters specifically for children with Autism or related difficulties.

We then enrolled Ryno at LUC Academy in October of 2011, with the most amazing results.

Ryno has gone from strength to strength and he is well on his way to recovery.

We have visited many other schools and institutions over the years, but could never really get a handle on these places. We love our son dearly and want just the best for him and also to give him the best possible opportunity for recovery.

That is exactly what we found at LUC Academy.

We feel because it is a small, intimate environment, Ryno is not just a number in a system. He is a person, an individual, in a loving, caring and nurturing school, where the long and hard fought road to recovery is made a little easier. Here he gets the personal attention from therapists with the necessary skills, in order for him to live a better quality life.

We can truly recommend LUC Academy to any parent that is going through what we have, and we would like to take this opportunity to thank Renaldo and Michele and all the therapists and staff at LUC Academy for their hard work, perseverance, and their loving and caring labours in educating our son and ensuring that he looks forward to going to school every morning.

We really appreciate you.

Thank you, and may God richly bless you.

Nelis & Gerda Retief