

KLIPHEUWEL TIMES – NOVEMBER 2011

Dear Friends,

We would like to once again thank you for your involvement with our work. It has been a wonderful privilege to see how you contributed to the success of our projects. We could meet our financial needs every month and now even have some money set aside for the building project we started.

NEW BUILDING

We are at present registered to take in 120 children, but right from the beginning of the year we had a waiting list. We were very sorry not being able to accommodate all the children that applied for admittance as it took some time to convince the parents about the necessity of pre-school education and once they did we could not take in their children. Hopefully we will be able to accommodate 40 more children once the building is erected.

The new building will be a double storey one with a classroom and training centre on the ground level and a room for meetings as well as a handwork room on top. There is no venue for youth meetings available at the moment and the present handwork room is too small and will be used as a staff room after completion of the building.

We have R150,000 set aside for this project and still need another R150,000. We have started the project in faith and trust that the necessary funds will come in as necessary.

KLIPPIE KIDS

We can proudly announce that all staff members at the school now passed their matric. They were enrolled at the Sustainability Institute at Lyndoch, Stellenbosch and after following their level 4 (equal to matric) and 5 (equal to 1 year after matric) training for 18 months they received their diplomas on 21 October. We could notice their growth as teachers while doing the training.

OUR OTHER PROJECTS

We are so proud of Lizona Williams, a lady from the Klipheuwel community and the cook at the pre-school who has been doing the distribution of food to needy families and now also took over the second hand shop. Christine le Roux who has always been doing this will just help her with handling the finances. Lizona is organising a rummage sale on 26 November and is asking for second hand clothes, household items and especially toys so the parents can buy gifts as Christmas presents.

Another lady from the community who are now taking the lead is Esmerelda Strauss who presents Easy Stitch classes to learners from the primary school. It gives us great pleasure to watch the people we are involved with, developing and becoming competent leaders.

We do have a lovely vegetable garden at the pre-school but the project in the community stopped because the project leader could not continue with it and no other leader came forward yet.

Our project where individuals or businesses can sponsor a child at R150 per month did grow during the year, but we still need more children to be sponsored and when we open the next class the need will even be bigger.

The handwork classes are still going thanks to the loyal volunteers who present them. The ladies in training improved their skills and could sell some of their articles at craft markets. They also made articles for themselves and their families.

NEW PROJECT MANAGER

As the J.E.S schools project grew a lot during this year, I am going to become the project manager for Shiloh J.E.S Schools and Miemie Zandberg, our very competent Admin manager at the moment, will take over as project manager for Shiloh Klipheuwel.

The J.E.S curriculum is the one we are following at Klippie Kids Pre-school at the moment. I am responsible for training new teachers for the new classroom from January to March after which I will do the planning and organisation for starting new J.E.S schools. It will either be other organisations that showed their interest already or our own organisation that will be putting up new schools which we hope to do as money becomes available.

We are close to the end of 2011. What a wonderful year we experienced at Klipheuwel. I will work from Klipheuwel next year but as this is the last newsletter you will receive from me as project manager of Klipheuwel please allow me to say thank you for your loyal support during the past 6 years.

Kind greetings,
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