

Opening and hand over of kitchen and dining hall to Spitskop Special Needs School

**TLM MAYOR'S MESSAGE OF SUPPORT DURING OPENING OF SPITSKOP
SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOOL DINING HALL AND KITCHEN HELD AT SPITSKOP
AT 11:00**

03 August 2018

Programme Director

School Principal of Spitskop Special Needs School

Management of and representatives from Northam Platinum Mine

All stakeholder in our midst

SGB Chairperson and Members of the SGB

Educators

Learners

Ladies and Gentlemen

Good morning!!! Dumelang!!!! Goeiemore!!!

It is my great pleasure and honour to attend this handover ceremony on behalf of the Thabazimbi Local Municipality.

Programme Director: We are very pleased to have a concerned stakeholders within our Municipality like Northam Platinum Mine. We are very pleased to observe the successful completion of the construction of the dining hall which is fully equipped for this needy school. We hope that it will serve its good purpose in helping our children in this school.

We all know that this is a special needs school that assist the children that needs special skills. We therefore recognise the good deeds done by the Northam Platinum mine in showing their kindness in ensuring that the children and educators of this school acquire the necessary equipment to suit their environment. Education continues to be number one priority under this municipality and its leadership.

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From today, the learners of this school will be part of an inclusive by having this unique and fully equipped kitchen and dining hall as well as new air conditions.

The Thabazimbi Local Municipality will always be available in engaging all stakeholders to assist communities in need and provide support in all service delivery related matters.

Investing in education is the best investment one can make in this country and contributions from the private sector and civil society to the improvement of education outcomes are invaluable not only to us as Government and Municipality, but also to the learners themselves.

On the other hand, we believe it is also important for all the children to have the same access to education. Through that, children with special needs or in social weakness will be able to decide what they will do in future according to their own capabilities. In this regard, the role of educational institutions like this school is critical and we will support continuously the children with special needs.

Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to the Principal and her staff for their cooperation. Without their passion and efforts, this project would not have been achieved so successfully. I also hope sincerely that this new kitchen and dining hall as well as new air conditions will be well used and maintained as a symbol of friendship between Northam Platinum mine, Thabazimbi Local Municipality and the school, and that children will learn and grow up with happiness.

I thank you and wish you a successful school year.