

STRONG SCHOOLS

Monthly Newsletter

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We welcome back all our Teachers and Learners!

Testimonies of school principals of the support hubs.....

NOMZAMO HIGH SCHOOL MR CHRIS MGUBANTO

"We see Strong Schools as thinking partners who walk alongside us on this journey we want to take".
"With the goals we want to reach, we can always count on them as our additional partner in the thinking process and to come up with alternative solutions to take you where you want to be".
"With Strong Schools consultants on board we will overcome".

ACJ PHAKADE PRIMARY SCHOOL MR THOBILE MJINGO

"There is a lot of growth in leadership because Strong Schools is assisting and training us where we need to grow in leadership".

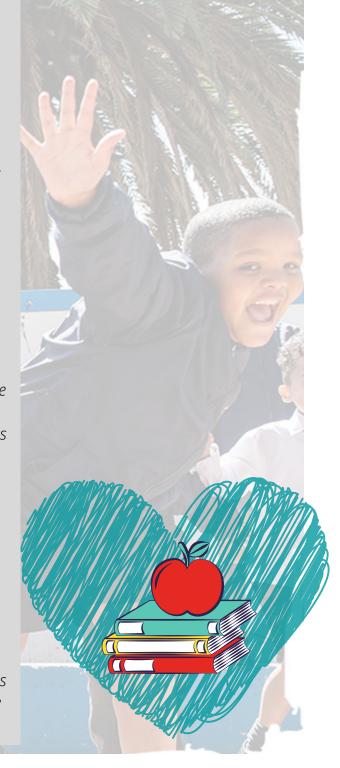
"They also ask us what we need to function better as a school".

"They always come up with good ideas and topics when assisting us with leadership sessions".

CHRISTMAS TINTO PRIMARY SCHOOL MR MPHICOTHI QANTOLO

"The more you learn as a leader, the better you become as a leader. I always look forward to their leadership sessions".

"It is not only the fact that they help me to learn more about leadership, they represent more than that; you can talk to them about issues which you can not discuss with your colleagues or family, and I feel they are there for me and understand these issues".





"Our Teachers are our greatest assets. We value each one of them." - Sonja van der Bank

GRADE 1 MASK PROJECT



Gary Janeke delivered Gr 1 masks to Sir Lowry's Pass Primary School, Methodist Primary School, ACJ Phakade Primary School and Christmas Tinto Primary School. More masks will be delivered to other schools as volunteers finish them.

The schools are thankful for the masks donated and looking forward to starting the journey this year with Strong Schools and Camino Consulting.

They have seen the difference that the leadership development of Camino Consulting has made and are excited about the new year. They welcome support from organisations outside the Education Department that support them.

Join hands with us, become a volunteer, donate towards our cause or just be our friend!

Download the QR Reader APP to your phone, it's FREE.

Use your phone camera to scan our unique code and DONATE!

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Neil Steinman for presenting two valuable webinars to our principals.
Themes were:

THE POWER OF CRUCIAL
CONVERSATIONS
&
REFLECTIONS ON PURPOSE



Please join the program and add us as a beneficiary.

If you are already on the program consider us as one of your beneficiaries..

Invite your friends!

Every swipe can make a difference!

Herewith the link to change/add a beneficiary: https://www.myschool.co.za/beneficiaries/bene ficiary-registration/

To join contact Trudie Schoeman | 082 784 6855 E-mail | Strongschools.co.za



WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARTNERS

Become our friend or partner with us and we will be place your logo on our website!



Storytelling....

https://strongschools.co.za/tell-your-story-videos/

MEET OUR NEW VOLUNTEERS....

Thank you to new volunteers who offered their professional services and talents:

Annette Botha | Administration
Henriette van Greuning | Capitec volunteer for schools
Lynn Merry | Masks, School Support Hubs
Charles Terhoeven | IT Support
Niel Steinnan | Principal Webinars
Christof Conradie | Printing support for schools



Chocolate Drive

Thank you for supporting our CHOCOLATE DRIVE until end March 2021. Your contribution can make a difference! Order our selected LINDT chocolates at discounted prices:



ENHANCING THE NPO SECTOR

VIRTUAL TRAINING SESSIONS - 2021

Shelagh Gastrow



04.03.2021 10H30 - 12H30 Governance Basics for Non-Profit Organisations 06.05.2021 10H30 - 12H30 Fundraising in Difficult Times



Anika Berning

01.04.2021 10H00 - 12H00 Management Control Systems



Colin Habberton

15.04.2021 & 22.04.2021 10H00 - 11H30 Theory of Change (ToC) Are you involved in a NPO or would like to learn more about NPOs?

This is YOUR opportunity to take your NPO to the next level!

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Enhancing the NPO Sector

To register and pay for the above webinars, click the links: https://strongschools.co.za/workshops/

INSPIRIATION FOR THE PRINCIPALS' FORUM

It was Andrew Szilagyi who once said: "Of all the activities and functions performed by a manager, none takes up more time than communications If it is hampered, the entire organisation suffers; when it is accurate, thorough and timely, only then can the organisation move effectively towards goal achievement." It is for this reason that we at Strong Schools placed much value on the managers of the schools by creating opportunities to communicate.

During our first intervention this year, Niel Steinman conducted a virtual session on "The Power of Communication" and followed it up with the topic: "Reflections on Purpose. Why?" The success of the two workshops emphasised the importance of similar future sessions.



In Stephen Covey's best seller, The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People, he explained the importance of doing the smaller things in life. He took the example of the importance to sharpen the saw. The responsibilities of the Headmaster of a school are far from the "little things". But when they spend some time on doing the "little things" first, the challenging things becomes easier. Bruce Barton sums it up perfectly: "Sometimes when I consider what tremendous consequences come from little things ... I am tempted to think there are no little things".

By spending some time on the little things like the Principals' Forum, we strongly believe that it will assist the Principals in making their jobs easier.

We all need support and like to be inspired. The management of Strong Schools started to inspire the Principals with an inspirational Thought of the week. The topic is simple: HOW TO? The first few inspirational thoughts were: How to stay healthy and How to overcome boredom on the job.

Henk Punt - PhD University of Stellenbosch (Read this on our website and FB and be inspired too).