

Happy New Year! We trust that you and your family had a blessed holiday season, and that you are ready to welcome this year in with a bang. We are so excited for what 2015 holds for Nthando, and all those we will be working with.

The Nthando management committee has decided to shift the focus of the organisation, from providing a home of safety to intervention in the lives of some of the most vulnerable children in our communities – those who are struggling at school due to a range of reasons and who do not have the funds to get remedial assistance.

Working with THE ARK. Based just outside of the Mfuleni community is an organisation called THE ARK. They offer homes and a living environment for destitute and desperate families. They look after 800 people, including children and the elderly, and they have a school and a creche on their property. We will be working with their school-going children, specifically their grade R pupils this year.

We plan to assess each grade R child, manage their learning throughout the year, assist in any treatment or referrals they require, and ultimately enrich their learning experience. Our aim is to get the entire class successfully from grade R into grade 1, with a firm learning foundation to aid them in their schooling career. We also hope to do some training with the teachers and volunteers, and possibly get involved with their crèche-going children as well.



There are currently just over 20 Grade R learners attending The ARK School this year, 12 of which have already had baseline developmental assessments administered. By the end of February, we plan to have assessed all Grade R children, placed them into groups according to level of functioning and development, and will have a clear plan for each child moving into the year.

We anticipate many needs for these special little ones, such as school stationary, educational toys and books, new tables and chairs, new carpets and curtains for their classroom; grass, play equipment, and a sand pit for their playground. All these things will enhance these little ones learning experience and help them reach their full potential.



We reached the R1000 mark!

January 2015 saw us reach our R1000 mark! Which means, that this month, we received R1000 from all those that swiped their MySchool cards when doing shopping at selected stores and outlets. A huge WELL DONE to all of you. Remember to keep swiping, and to tell your friends and family to get a MySchool card with Nthando Home as the beneficiary!

Thank you for your continued prayer and support, we look forward to journeying with you in 2015, and embracing the adventure God has in store for us.

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