



Happy birthday!!

We would like to apologise to colleagues who have already celebrated their birthdays at the beginning of this month bulletin. We hope that you have enjoyed your day and would also like to take moment to wish you many more years to come.

Eliminating skills shortage

MANANA LAUNCHES TVET TRAINING PROGRAMME IN BLOEMFONTEIN

Skills shortage could soon be eliminated after the Deputy Minister of Higher Education, Mduzuzi Manana, launched the decade of the artisan programme on the 30-01-2015. The programme will be implemented at the Motheo TVET College in Bloemfontein. Manana, was

.The initiative is part of the department's implementation and contribution to skills development and consequently job creation. "The establishment of a dedicated department in 2009 was to focus on higher education and training as well as to address the challenges relating to skills shortages", providing skilled people to a skills-starved economy, but also



DEPUTY MINISTER OF EDUCATION MR Mduzuzi Manana at Centlec training center.

indirectly by providing a stimulus to economic growth and the development of new and existing industries and economic...(continues on page 2)

Executive Mayor donates new uniform to Bartimea learners

The executive mayor of Mangaung Metro, Cllr Thabo Manyoni visited Bartimea school for Deaf and Blind in Thaba N'chu on the 3rd of February 2015, to donate school uniforms and sports merchandise. This forms part of the mayor's endeavor to improve the welfare of the learners at one of the best performing schools in the city's jurisdiction. He was

accompanied by members of his committee :councilors' municipal officials and representatives from **CENTLEC**. The executive mayor donated uniform parcels including school shoes, pants or skirts, jerseys and a school shirts to the Bartimea Primary School.



Executive Mayor Cllr. Thabo Manyoni helps one of the learners fit a shoe



**Mr. Manana Mduduzi
Deputy Minister of Education.**

Photo by: Gadihele Mosholi

(continues from page 1)...sectors. "We are also aware that the time is ticking". There is a large number of younger generation that are energetic and willing to come with various ideas in our society who have left schools and unemployed. Yet we continue to import a lot of skills according to Manana.



Mr. Mduduzi Manana turning the sword

Photo by: Gadihele



Manana said the government had made, education, job creation and decent work it's number one priority. In this regard we would like to highlight the fact that education and training are critical components of achieving growth and development of the various economic sectors.

The New Growth Path clearly outlines this priority and reflects on how training is" he said. He also said they see the TVET college sector as a viable option for young people because it was their strong belief that the courses offered at such colleges are appropriate to build the critical skills based on the economic needs. In turn this will make them eligible for employment.



Cllr Matsoetlane, Interim CEO of CENTLEC Mr Moroka , Executive Mayor Cllr Manyoni & Principal

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Cllr Manyoni advised learners that limitations in their lives should serve as encouragement to work hard. He also mentioned to the learners that one of the Mangaung Metro Cllr Thandi Jacobs, who was also in attendance is blind, "emphasizing that this should serve as moti-

vation to boundaries," Manyoni said. He further said that education is the key regardless of any physical disabilities and they are to work hard and focus on school work.

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"With education we are all equal contenders with regards to employment he said". The Executive Mayor also added that the country can progress only if people begin to care about one another. Cllr Manyoni further announced that **CENTLEC** the Mangaung Metro's electricity utility which is lead by the interim CEO Advocate Moroka, will adopt Bartimea from here forward. Overcome with emotions school, principal Pinky Matshaseng said "we are really grateful for the gifts and the support we get from the executive Mayor of Mangaung



Bartimea School choir entertained guests

Valentine is time for sharing

Bartimea School shared a pre-Valentines day breakfast on Friday, 13 February with the **CENTLEC** Executives and bestowed the Executives with gifts. The Bartimea Primary School has been adopted by **CENTLEC**. Seipati Setai (Assistant Manager of Communication and Marketing at CENTLEC) welcomed and thanked them with kind and motivational words upon arrival.



The Bartimea School came up with ideas that they should create gifts for the executives with their own hands as a token of appreciation. They made diaries and Valentines day cards, to give out of love for being adopted by **CENTLEC**.

Mr. Moroka (interim CEO) said "if we are to achieve a richer culture, we must weave one in which each diverse human gift will find a fitting place. Thank you so much for everything, we are really grateful and happy that we are now one family. Thank you, we love you."

Quote of the day!

Every day we have plenty of opportunities to get angry, stressed or offended. But what you're doing when you indulge these negative emotions is giving something outside yourself power over your happiness. You can choose to not let little things upset you.

[Joel Osteen](#)



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