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## **NWDC touches lives at Stinkhout Primary near Zeerust for Mandela Day**

During the week of Mandela Day 2018, the Stinkhout Primary school in Jagersfontein, near Zeerust was a hive of activity aimed at giving the school's buildings an extreme make-over.

A team from the NWDC and its tourism subsidiary, Dirapeng, arrived at the rural school, armed with all the materials needed to thoroughly clean classrooms, fix broken floors, desks, chairs and noticeboards and brighten up both the interior and exterior of the classrooms with much-needed coats of paints.

When the cleaning commenced, learners eagerly joined in with sweeping, scrubbing floors and cleaning windows. The Zeerust division of Correctional Services afforded the learners a well-deserved break when they treated them to plates of hot soup to drive away the winter chill as part of their 67 minutes for Mandela.

The spirit of Madiba truly came alive thereafter, when the team from Correctional Services spontaneously remained at the school, joining the NWDC in sanding and varnishing desks and painting classrooms. So much so that they even returned with the NWDC team on 19 July 2018 to continue cleaning and painting the remainder of the classrooms.

In addition to the upgrading of the classrooms, NWDC handed out food parcels to the learners as well as sanitary products to female learners, generously donated by NWDC employees.

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The NWDC would like to thank Stinkhout Primary for opening its doors and allowing the team from NWDC on their premises for the completion of this Madiba Day project. Everyone in the team who carried a water bucket or held a broom, a cloth or a paint brush embodied the truth of the words by Kahlil Gibran who said: “It is when you give of yourself that you truly give”.

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