



# MANDELA DAY

*With the Johannesburg Expo Centre*

It was all hands on deck this Madiba Day as The Johannesburg Expo Centre team completed yet another successful Nelson Mandela Day activation. This year in July, The JEC once again embraced the Inkwenkwezi Primary School in Diepkloof and Riverlea Primary School respectively as part of its long term commitment to empowering the youth in the communities in which it operates.

Many hands make light work and together with a multitude of dedicated sponsors, the Johannesburg Expo Centre handed over two beautifully re-vamped libraries to both of its adopted schools as part of improving the schools' facilities so as to create a more stable, nurturing and happy teaching environment for the learners.

Working with sponsors like Expo Guys, GL Events, Prodec Paint, Multicup, Pick n Pay, Sound Headquarters, Eathos Productions, Signs & More, DKSS to name a few, the JEC cleaned, painted and renovated two classrooms, equipped them with new lighting, shelves, furniture and books for the children to enjoy.

Skipper Legalake, the principle of Inkwenkwezi Primary School had this to say: "We are extremely grateful for the donations and constant support that we receive from the JEC and its associates. We cannot express how thankful we are to all involved. These libraries will provide learners with the space to imagine and learn. That is priceless"

Marcelle Elephant, principle of Riverlea Primary School echoed these words "The JEC is part of our school family. They anticipate our needs before us and we are so grateful to Craig and his team for all they do for us"

*"Our team and associates were hands on and got involved in the re-carpeting and painting of both venues and supplying a variety of quality reading books." Craig Newman, CEO of the JEC adds. "We couldn't do this without everyone and their support"*

"We've taken on these schools for the long game and are dedicated to seeing these facilities continue to improve in the coming years for the benefit of the children who attend these schools. Education changes people's lives and we want to be a part of that change. If you can make a difference to one person, you can change a community. We couldn't think of a better way to honour Tata Madiba than by empowering the youth and will continue to do so. Continuity with this cause is a priority and we will shortly start evaluating what is needed next" explains Craig.

If you or your company would like to get involved and lend much needed support too, please do not hesitate to contact the JEC on 011 494 1920 or mail us at [marketing@expocentre.co.za](mailto:marketing@expocentre.co.za)

