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New R150 000 fence for Witkoppen Primary

Learners and educators at Witkoppen Primary School on William Nicol Drive in Fourways have a greater sense of safety and security than they've had for many years as a result of the erection of a brand new ClearVu fence and main gate at the front of the school property, through a collaboration by members of the local community.

According to Acting Principal, Philemon Mashimbyi, who has been at the school for over seven years, "Our local Community Policing Forum has been very involved in the safety and security of our school, our 850 learners, and our educators. They came to assess the school and identified that our fence was in desperate need of replacing." The CPF contacted Hot 91.9fm's and through their Hot Cares community investment programme, Montecasino (<https://www.tsogosun.com/montecasino>) and Paul's Gates, they were able to collaborate and work together to erect the fence and new main gate cover the approximate 50 metre frontage of the school property. The total value of this initiative was R150 000.

Adds Mashimbyi, "Because we are located on such a busy main road, we urgently needed our property to be securely fenced off from passing traffic and our children and staff kept safe within the premises. Our school supports disadvantaged learners and there were no funds to improve our security. We are so thankful to the CPF for their support of the school, Montecasino, Paul's Gates and Hot 91.9fm for their generous donations and commitment to improving our school and our community."

Mike Page, GM of Montecasino, says, "We are privileged to be able to contribute towards the safety and security of these young children, their educators, and the school property, and we thank all those members of the community who collaborated to ensure the successful culmination of this project."

This donation by Montecasino ties in perfectly with Tsogo Sun's wider group CSI focus on education that impacts more than 35 000 children and youth around the country annually.

Lloyd Madurai, MD of Hot 91.9 FM radio station, says, "As a strongly community-focused radio station, it's a real sense of achievement for us when we are in a position to improve lives within our community by working together with like-minded organisations. We could not do this without our

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loyal listeners who support our Hot Cares programme and our partners. We wish Witkoppen school and all the learners a safe, happy, and productive future.”

Images



Lisa Sukdev, Lloyd Madurai, Philemon Mashimbyi, Caroline Naidu and excited Witkoppen Primary School learners



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