



BENEFITING THE ENVIRONMENT AND SUPPORTING LOCAL COMMUNITIES

NEWSLETTER
2021



INTERNET CAFE FOR THORNHILL

Owner Chris Beki, has been able to relocate his business from a backyard room to a fully fitted container structure that is more suitable and easier to access for the community, with the support of Jeffreys Bay Wind Farm's enterprise development programme. This has also meant that he can now provide local work and has plans to eventually be able to employ five people.

"I am really pleased to have a fully-fitted container-business, to render our internet Café services and even employ someone," said Mr Beki, owner of BT Safestrip, who is also receiving business training and support.

The fully fitted container structure serves as an office, shop front and internet café, offering the following services to the community: Business readiness support to new and operational businesses (business registration, tax assistance, business plans/profiles/logos/email/CSD); Graphic design and corporate branding (banners, uniforms, vehicles and building branding).



"Our aim is to help grow this young enterprise into a sustainable business whilst helping the community to access services without travelling long distances, which is costly."



BOOSTING LITERACY SKILLS

A parent literacy programme supporting children's learning at home launched across 14 schools, in Humansdorp, Hankey, Patensie and Jeffreys Bay. This is in response to COVID-19 learning loss.

Named 'TIME' (Together in My Education) the programme builds language, mathematics and life skills, and is funded as part of the Jeffreys Bay Wind Farm Literacy and Numeracy Programme. It encourages parents to tell stories, rhymes and sing along to songs as part of their daily 20 minute sessions with their children.

Even if parents or caregivers do not have the qualifications, they can play an important role in supporting children's early learning at home, by following a simple set of easy mini lessons.



RE-OPENING CRÈCHE

The re-opening of Mkhuzeli Koliti Crèche, in Thornhill, was attended by community members, funders, partners, officials, school staff and nearly 100 very excited young children!

The new facility can support 50% more children entering Grade RR and ensure that they receive meaningful learning opportunities, in preparation for attending Grade R in a formal school in the following year.

Close to R1 Million was funded by Jeffreys Bay Wind Farm, to provide a new Prefab unit, electrical installation, plumbing, an office, storeroom, kitchen upgrade, ablution facilities as well as high security perimeter fencing.

Other refurbishments, some of which the parents joined in to assist with, included the replacement of window panes, internal and external paint works, and other general repairs.

"ECD remains a critical point for our country's social and economic transformation and development, and we want to see children develop holistically, with the support of qualified practitioners and suitable facilities within our beneficiary communities."



www.facebook.com/JBayWindFarm



[#JBayWindFarm](https://twitter.com/JBayWindFarm)



www.jeffreysbaywindfarm.co.za

