

ATNS donates library to under-resourced rural school

Yesterday, Air Traffic and Navigation Services in partnership with Breadline Africa donated a library to Qibi Primary School in the Free State. With the librarian already trained and a minimum of 800 books, the 469 children attending the school are sure to benefit.

"We are very excited about this library launch as well as upcoming launches in the Eastern and Northern Cape provinces," says Mulomoni Nesengani, ATNS Manager in the office of the CEO.

A milestone for Breadline Africa



The Mandela Day Libraries project provides an opportunity for children to gain access to books. However, it does rely hugely on the support of responsible corporate citizens like ATNS, says Jade Orgill, Project Manager for Breadline Africa. "The Mandela Day Library launch at Qibi Primary is a milestone for Breadline Africa. It is library number 50 in a project that reaches impoverished children all over South Africa. We are very proud of this achievement and look forward to the next 50."

Orgill continued and said, "We need to be collectively responsible for the education of children and our local communities. Corporate social investment and engagement is so important for South Africa's growth. Transformation, skills development, breaking the cycle of poverty - it all hinges on projects like the Mandela Day Libraries as well as the support of business."

At the Qibi Primary School library launch, school principle Lipali said, "We are proud to have all the partners here to celebrate. This library is a much needed resource and will serve the school well in improving literacy scores. We thank ATNS, Breadline Africa and the Nelson Mandela Foundation for raising the flag in support of children's education."

The partnership between Breadline Africa and ATNS started in 2013 and since then the duo has successfully placed three libraries.

Should you wish to sponsor a Mandela Day Library, please contact Jade Orgill: +27 21 418 0322; projects@breadlineafrica.org.za

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