

We're last in class - 6 Nov 2012

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So what are we going to do about it? We all know our state education system is a shambles, and now that has been confirmed after SA was rated as bottom of class in maths and science. It's yet another extremely dubious "honour" this country has earned. The question is: how will our shambolic "education" system be fixed?

And if you are in the NPO sector, it's time to be afraid, very afraid... According to Inyathelo executive director Shelagh Gastrow, if proposed amendments affecting the BEE code go through as is, NPOs and charities could go under - and that means many thousands of children and adults currently being helped, will be affected.

Trying to benefit our exports by 'managing' the rand will not help exporters say a number of experts. In any event, one says, the market is far too large for us to influence it to any effective extent.

Higher Education and Training Minister Blade Nzimande says bankers need to be taught courses in sociology, apparently in order to develop a social consciousness about the effects of lending.

And to end, Bizcom's very own "brute in a suit", motoring editor Henrie Geyser, says the new Chevrolet Trailblazer is - just as he is...a brute in a suit.

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