



February 2010 Newsletter -

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Dear Friends,

What are we up to this year?

On Mondays... we are learning embroidery with the auntie of one of the children. She is teaching bag making and pillow covers and she hopes to start her own business soon. She has found a shop that will display her work but needs start up money to buy material. We are hoping to help her with that.



On Tuesdays - we are making memory boxes to remember people we have loved who have died. Next month we will be bringing our moms and dads to iKhaya for a special Saturday workshop in celebrating and remembering lives of special family members.

On Wednesdays - we are learning to read and understand what we have read in English and isiXhosa. We are really enjoying being with our buddy readers from the International School of Hout Bay. We are also having lots of fun with the new books that the Australian Government Donated us through their Development Aid Program.



On Thursdays - we are doing Maths in the Garden. We have been busy measuring our plants and learning important words like long, wide, short, small and big. We loved the donation of plants from Starke Ayres nurseries!



On Fridays - we are learning Skills for Life. We are also enjoying playing sport and doing craft. Noxy leads us for a short Kids Church and we are taking it in turns to lead a reflection for the day.

Exciting News:

Our building is almost finished! We now have space to register 35 children (so we are half way there)! To celebrate we are having an opening ceremony on March 6th from 2pm. If you are local, we'd love to see you there! An invite is attached to this newsletter.

We have started drawings for stage 2 and 3 of our building which will allow us to register all our children as well as giving us extensive community food gardens, a library, a computers room and an income generating bakery. What fun! ☺

Finances - What we need for 2010!

Basic program expenses - R90 000

Building stage 2 - R300 000

Bakery Income Generation Project - R55 000

If you do not have a child sponsorship already, please consider it. 21 new sponsorships will cover our basic program expenses for the year. Sponsorships are held by families, staff rooms, school classes, book clubs, bible study groups or any other social/community group. If you sponsor a child we will give you a photo and a story about the child. We will update you on the child's progress each quarter. Money from the sponsorship goes to support the cost of the programs we provide. Sponsorships are £38/R450/\$66(AUD) per month.



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If you would like to sponsor a child or make a donation please contact Katherine by e-mail at wilsmor@telkomsa.net or go to our website for your local banking details at www.ikhayaalthemba.com