'Reddy' to lead

The legendary Nelson Mandela once said that education is the most powerful weapon which can be used to change the world.

Dr Nessa Govindasamy Reddy, who was appointed as the principal of Queensburgh Primary School, believes that education fosters strong human values in schools and communities through children.

Reddy is a very active principal and can be found at the gate, corridor, on the sports field and in the classroom so that parents, staff and learners know that he is always available when required. "I have two strong departmental heads to who I can delegate responsibility, with the assurance that it will be done methodically and efficiently.

"This frees me up to work on other projects. I have created partnerships with ABSA, HSD telecommunications and Trencon Construction to improve the school facilities. I am fortunate to have inherited a core of strong educators who are passionate and committed to improving the educational standards," he said. After 36years of working in the high school environment, he opted to move to the primary school space as he sees a brilliant mind in each child. "Where better to start than from the ground up," said Reddy.

He is already making a difference in the school and is taking a holistic approach towards education through working with various



Principal of Queensburgh Primary School, Dr NG Reddy

stakeholders including community and civic leaders. "The learners are my number one priority and anything that is undertaken must benefit the child," he said. Reddy added that studies reflect the strong link between the high performing schools and partnerships with parents and the community at large.

As a result, he embodies an invitational leadership style to solicit all stakeholders including neighbouring schools. The school caters for children from 3-months-old to Grade R, and from Grade 1 to and a jumping castle.

Grade 7, providing a safe and healthy space for teaching and learning. There is an aftercare facility, with homework being undertaken by a Montessori trained professional, Esai Pillai. Learners also participate in the Queensburgh and Districts sports programme. Numerous fundraising drives supplement the school coffers, adding an element of fun and

Forthcoming events include a Grade 7 prom, open day for registration with a fun walk and fun day with food stalls

social responsibility.