

Better Education for a Brighter Future



Tutor Programme

"Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world." - Nelson Mandela





About Us

Bright Start's Education Support Programme draws its beneficiaries from two historically impoverished Hout Bay communities, Imizamo Yethu and Hangberg.

We offer two programmes;

Education Sponsorships

Access to quality education -sponsor individual learners

Tutor Program

Urgent interventions for at risk kids providing targeted learning support outside school

Tutor Programme

Pilot Programme launced 2024

Bright Start's Tutor Program is Hout Bay's contribution towards The Zero Dropout Campaign. The pilot Tutor Program at Kronendal Primary School, which ran from 17 July - 19 September 2024, demonstrated an average math score improvement of 11% for consistent attendees during its pilot phase.

Building on the pilot program's proven effectiveness, this 10-week program, addresses the critical need for personalized academic support in foundational subjects.

After the success of the Pilot Programme, we are now running the Tutor Programme as a full time feature at Kronendal Primary School with great success

40% of South African learners do not complete high school

Overview

Bright Start's 10-week Tutor Program provides targeted, one-on-one tutoring sessions to supplement classroom learning, and offers academic support in Mathematics and English.

Program Goals

- Improve students' skills and confidence in Mathematics and English.
- Provide individualized support to address learning gaps.
- Enhance students' problem-solving and critical thinking skills.
- Increase student engagement and motivation in learning.
- Equip students with effective testtaking strategies.







Structure

• **Duration**: 10 weeks

Subjects: Mathematics and English

- **Target Students**: Grades 4-7 (identified by teachers as needing additional support)
- Session Format: One-on-one tutoring sessions, held twice weekly (days to be determined based on school schedule and tutor availability) for 2 hours per session.
- Curriculum: Aligned with the current classroom curriculum, focusing on areas identified by teachers as challenging for students, and incorporating interactive learning methods.
- Tutors: Qualified and experienced tutors, with background checks completed.
- Assessment: Pre- and post-program assessments to measure student progress. Regular feedback from tutors and teachers to monitor individual student needs.



Pilot Program - a huge success

South African learners are performing poorly in core subjects like maths, science and reading. Studies revealed that 78% of grade 4 learners couldn't read for meaning and only 37% of grade 5 learners had basic math skills in 2019.

The COVID-19 pandemic worsened already poor educational outcomes in schools, and this prompted Bright Start to launch a pilot tutoring program to see if and how a weekly two-hour tutor session over a 10-week period can help bring learners who fell behind, back on track.

Kronendal Primary School invited 35 learners from Grade 5 – 7 to join a 10-week, pilot program run by Bright Start. Learners participated in one-on-one and small-group tutor sessions focusing on English literacy and mathematics.

To evaluate the effectiveness of the program, learners took the Department of Basic Education's Annual National Assessment, a standardized test in English and Mathematics at the beginning and end of the program.

The final analysis focused on 20 students who attended 70% or more of the sessions, revealing an encouraging average improvement of 11% in mathematics performance. Four students improved their marks with between 20 and 35%.

The average English grade at the end of the 10-weeks was 52%. Three students achieved between 73 and 91%.





Tutor Programme fully operational

Based on the evaluation, the following enhancements have been implemented:

- **Full-Time Program Coordinator**: A dedicated, experienced educator manages the program, ensuring consistent curriculum alignment, tutor support, and effective communication with teachers and parents. This coordinator is also responsible for integrating technology effectively.
- **Enhanced Curriculum Development**: Working closely with teachers to align tutoring sessions with current classroom topics and address specific learning gaps.
- Targeted Interventions: Focusing on key concepts and providing individualized support for students struggling with specific skills (e.g., fractions, decimals, word problems).
- **Test-Taking Skills Development**: Incorporating strategies for test preparation, time management, and anxiety reduction.
- **Reading Comprehension Strategies**: Integrating activities and techniques to improve reading comprehension skills.
- **Technology Integration**: Utilizing student email addresses to provide access to online learning resources, interactive games, and educational videos.



Your gift is their brighter future

You are invited to partner with Bright Start and invest in the future of young learners.

Fund one term - 3,000 pounds

Provides 50 learners targeted Maths and English for one term 2 hours per week per student / 1000 hours of learning

Fund one student - 60 pounds

Provides one learner Maths and English for one term 2 hours per week / 20 hours of learning

What will I receive?

Detailed termly reports with statistics on individual learners and effectiveness of the program

Tax certificate for donations in South Africa and Germany UK is eligable for Gift Aid.

Onsite visit to the tutor program - in person / online

How to Donate



Online

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