



German goals fund bursaries

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A NEW initiative is to award bursaries to 16 Grade 5 pupils, covering the cost of their education until they are 18 years old.

"Sixteen children will feel the lasting benefit of the World Cup," Premier Helen Zille, who is also patron of the goals4kids programme, said during yesterday's launch.

The initiative is funded by the German energy company Ago AG, which pledged to pay for one pupil's education for every goal the German national team scored during the World Cup.

Their 16 goals marked the most scored by any side during the tournament.

The pupils will be chosen by the Impumelelo Innovations Award Trust from children in the Atlantis and Witsand areas.

The programme will also erect 16 sets of goalposts on soccer fields throughout SA.

Hans-Ulrich Gruber, speaker for the board of Ago and president of goals4kids, said the programme would aim to raise more money for further bursaries.

"Sixteen is fine, but 600 would be better," he said.

Zille joked in response: "Well why didn't they score more goals? We must really do it in games like rugby."

Goals4kids will also be in Germany next year for a similar programme during the Women's World Cup.

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Pupils to score from Germany's goals

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THE launch of the Goals4Kids initiative, attended by patron Premier Helen Zille, took place yesterday, offering 16 Grade 5 pupils from disadvantaged communities in the Western Cape an opportunity to receive high school bursaries.

For every goal scored during the World Cup by the German team, German Engineering company AGO AG committed itself to sponsoring the schooling of a Grade 5 pupil up to the age of 18. The team scored 16 goals.

The Impumelelo Innovations Award Trust will, in collaboration with Goals4Kids, manage the initiative and allo-

cate the bursaries to the pupils.

The project will be run in Witsand and Atlantis.

Principals from schools in those areas will be invited to nominate Grade 5 pupils who they feel deserve a bursary.

Impumelelo will then choose the 16 based on these criteria: the pupil must be in Grade 5, has to be in the top 15 percent of his or her school's grades and must have proper parental/guardian support.

Yesterday Tomas Kanovsky, managing director of Goals4Kids, said it was "a great honour to have the possibility of supporting kids in South Africa".

"It's the first project of its kind and all we want is to see

kids develop and make a success of their lives," he said.

Zille and a fellow patron, German Federal Minister of Defence, Karl-Theodor zu Guttenberg, praised the initiative.

"This initiative will no doubt make a great contribution, not only to the lives of learners and football players in disadvantaged communities, but to promoting and bolstering one of our government's strategic objectives which is maximising education outcomes in the Western Cape," Zille said.

"The only complaint I have is Germany not scoring more goals. Nevertheless we are delighted with 16," she joked.

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Duitsland se 16 doele lei tot beurse vir W-Kaapse jeugdige

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Duitsland het dalk nie met die beker weggestapnie, maar die 16 doele wat die span in die Wêreldbeker-sokkertoernooi aangeteken het, beteken baie vir kinders in die Wes-Kaap.

Dit het daartoe gelei dat 16 leerders van voorheen benadeelde gemeenskappe in die provinsie volle beurse sal kry vir hul skoolloopbaan totdat hulle 18 jaar oud is.

Me. Helen Zille, Wes-Kaapse premier, het gister saam met me. Rhoda Kadalie, direkteur van die Impumelelo Innovations Award Trust, en mnr. Hans-Ulrich Gruber van die Goals4Kids-inisiatief die Goals4kids-projek hier bekend gestel.

Zille en dr. Karl-Theodor zu Guttenberg, Duitse minister van verdediging, is die beskermhere van die projek.

Kadalie het gesê die Impumelelo

Trust sal die projek monitor en leerders kies.

Sy het gesê gebiede soos Atlantis en Witsand is reeds vir deelname geïdentifiseer.

"Meisies en seuns in gr. 5 sal oorweeg word. Die leerder moet in die top-15% van die skool se beste presteerders wees en moes deurgaans goeie uitslae gekry het," het sy gesê.

Skoolhoofde moet self leerders aanbeveel wat kwalifiseer.

In 16 voorheen benadeelde gemeenskappe sal doelhouke vir sokkervelde opgerig word.

Zille het dié projek verwelkom en gesê dit moet sommer met ander sportsoorte, soos rugby, ook gebeur. "Die 16 kinders sal die blywende erfenis van die Wêreldbeker-sokkertoernooi kan voel."

Volgens Gruber gaan dieselfde beginsel volgende jaar by die Wêreldbeker-sokkertoernooi vir vroue geld om doele in opvoedingsgeleenthede te omskep.