



Greg and Pam Setzkorn from Setzkorn Health and Wealth Consulting with learners Nomvelo Zondi, Siyabonga Zulu and Nonkululeko Maseko (back) and Nokulunga Dlamini and Themba Ntuli get ready for Ethembeni School's prize-giving on Saturday, 6th December.

Write-up:

Ethembeni School in Cato Ridge thrives on discipline, stimulation and pupil activity. Established in 1984, the state-subsidised school caters for learners with physical disabilities or who are visually impaired. The well-run school has a total enrolment of 300 learners, all of whom board in hostels on the grounds. The school follows the mainstream curriculum from the foundation stage up to Grade 7 and then offers skills training for learners who have completed their academic education. These skills include agriculture, literacy, numeracy, technology, life skills, hairdressing, woodwork and needlework, amongst others. One hundred and four dedicated and passionate staff members form part of the establishment and consist of educators, therapists, nursing staff, a psychologist and caregivers.

For the third year in a row, Setzkorn Health and Wealth Consulting have sponsored each graduate with a travel mug to congratulate them on their achievement as well as to provide a memento for the pupils to remember the school by. These gifts will be handed out at their much anticipated awards ceremony on Saturday, 6th December.

For more information on Ethembeni School or to provide support in the form of manpower, goods or funds, please phone Maria James on 074 127 8069.

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The aim of the charity event, organised by the Guild of St Mary's Old Girls, is to raise money for the St Mary's Foundation Trust, which provides bursaries to the school, as well as a chosen non-profit organisation. This year CHOC - The Childhood Cancer Foundation of South Africa – was the benefitting charity. CHOC will use the funds to provide holistic support for children suffering from cancer and life-threatening blood disorders, as well as for their families.

The event would not have been possible without the generous support of main sponsors, Setzkorn Health and Wealth Consulting and Discovery, and the associate sponsors - The Sumner Group, Nu Hair, BUCO and Pewter Studio. The Guild of St Mary's Old Girls would also like to thank the auction and surprise envelope contributors as well as the guests for enabling them to raise over R100 000 for two very worthy beneficiaries.