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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Please allow me to start by asking you this question, "How do you manage to carry such big hearts in those small bodies of yours " You know what, I do not think there are quite good or suitable words to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to you "Morningside Academy Family " for what you've done for us. Sending this wonderful Team to train our teachers in subjects that seem to be giving us problems , is a clear indication of how much you care for us(South - Africa). Your kind generosity, the desire and efforts to help the needy have inspired our souls and touched our hearts, and for that we thank you so much. I only hope that this is the beginning of a strong life-long relationship between P.E. Active Schools (Funimfundo in particular) and Morningside Academy.

This training has come just at the right time when Educators are leavⁿg the profession in masses due to frustrations emanating from lack of support by our Department to fully equip them for the day[^] challenges that they^{are} faced with in class. The urge to do our part efficiently has always been there, but we lacked the kind of wisdom or strategies that your Team have to tackle and overcome "reading and spelling" and Math problems. It is a pity that they had to be with us only for six and a half days, one more week would definitely be of great benefit. Nevertheless, the little we have done with them has already made a difference. Our learners find English reading and Math far more interesting than^{ever} before. The new terminology used when requesting their attention, or signalling that we need to stop what we've been doing and switch over to something else, or to proceed to the next step of what we've been doing, (terms like, "Eyes on me. Eyes on you." 2. "It's my turn." etc.) make them feel they can speak English. They are so excited about these and they turn to be more attentive and willing to talk in a remarkable way. Also, their frequent, active participation in a lesson is evident (so much that it's very easy to see when the

teacher is running the show all by herself) and they enjoy this involvement so much. Watch them when they make predictions about the story, see how excited they are about noting the words which the ^rlearner-partners couldn't read or couldn't read properly, not to mention the pleasure and confidence when recording in a score-sheet the total number of words read in a minute showing the number of correctly pronounced words over incorrectly pronounced. Good people, you've completely changed the face of English period from the beast it used to be to beauty and pleasure. Just imagin^e if this kind of training could continue for a few more years allowing the Team to monitor us and add more or emphasize some areas a few more times, going to the extent of developing as well as transforming us into Teacher Trainers.

Our dream is to see all the teachers in Active Schools well equipped with the exper^tise and knowledge we have acquired as pilot schools from ~~the~~ this training.

Finally many thanks to you once more for choosing such a wonderful Team to be our Trainers. There never was a sign of boredom during their ^s sessions as they ^{were} always fully prepared, extremely knowledgeable, with Kris and Joanne as amazing all-rounders, lively, polite, patient, friendly and loving. They never saw themselves as foreigners or guests. but as part of us instead. We sincerely appreciate all of this.

Kind regards to all of you at Morningside Academy.

Yours faithfully

Vuvu Dubula (Principal)

