



Press statement issued on behalf of the Executive Mayor of Midvaal Municipality Cllr Timothy Nast

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EXECUTIVE MAYOR NAST BRINGS FESTIVE CHEER TO 200 SICELo CHILDREN

Christmas arrived early this year for 200 children from the Sicelo informal settlement when Executive Mayor Cllr Timothy Nast hosted a fun filled Christmas Party, linked to Belin Global Ministries, at the Sicelo Sports Ground on Saturday 27 November.

Ushering in Christmas cheer with fun, food and day-long excitement, the Executive Mayor Nast and his wife Kim wore Christmas hats and played the role of Father Christmas giving each child a bag filled with toys, sweets, crackers and stationery.

Getting into the Christmas spirit Executive Mayor Nast told the Christmas story to 200 gleaming faces. He explained that baby Jesus, who was born in a stable, became a great leader and encouraged the children to pursue their dreams regardless of their circumstances of birth. "Your path in life is not determined by where you come from but rather by your talents and by your efforts. You can become whatever you want, if you work hard to get it," he said.

Children sang and danced while being entertained by two local artists Nokhaya and Themba Khoza. For lunch the children feasted on hot dogs, fruit and cold drinks. The day ended with a crowd of happy but exhausted children.

Mayor Nast believes that bringing joy to children is what the festive season is all about. "The festive season is a fantastic opportunity to give back to our communities. We hope that our efforts will allow these children to enjoy Christmas just a bit more this year."

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