

# EDUGATE NEWS

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## THE HIGHLIGHTS

- Music Workshop
- Welcoming of 2017 Students
- Gifts of Appreciation to Partner Preschools

### Music Workshop

In January our trainers, together with preschool teachers from around Mbabane, attended a two-week music workshop. The music workshop was facilitated by Marjo Nyberg from Finland. Part of the workshop was a children's camp for children coming from Pine Valley.

and children's songs, the role of music education in children's development and growth, and using creative methods in pre-school teaching, just to mention a few.



*EduGate staff posing with Marjo on her last day*



*Happy children and their teachers*

Participants were taken through a number of lessons, including "our body is an instrument." There were also body percussion rhythms

### Welcoming 2017 Students

The 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, marked the beginning of Term 1 of our academic year. On Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup> students arrived from their respective home areas. They were welcomed by Senior Management from CMS and Hawane leadership.

Pastor Lloyd shared words of wisdom with the new group together with Pastor Timothy Makhanya. Most students were excited to have made it into the programme. A cake was cut and shared to welcome them.



*A group photo of 2017 students with CMS leaders, Hawane leadership and EduGate staff*

The practicals are a core activity of the training programme since we are in training.

In January, these preschools were presented with trikes as gifts of appreciating the support offered to EduGate in 2016. Each school received two trikes and the Directors were very excited to receive the gifts as it will contribute to their physical education activities.

### Tokens of appreciation to partner preschools

EduGate works with six preschools in Mbabane, Ezulwini, Malkerns and Manzini for attachments during students' observations and practicals.



*Directors of Lingiwe Preschool, Carebears (with her husband) and Discovery Junction showing the trike received from EduGate*

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