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### **Metrofile lends a helping hand to children in the Western Cape**

Metrofile the African leader in onsite and offsite records storage is demonstrating its dedication to corporate social investment in the Western Cape by helping children living with physical and mental disabilities at the Paarl School.

Every week Metrofile invites learners from Paarl School in the Western Cape to come and spend a day working from 8am until 2pm at its Cape Town office. This exposure to a business and corporate environment helps to open the eyes and broaden the experiences of the children at the home and gives them an exciting introduction into the corporate world.

“We started this project to give these children a valuable step up into the business world. We aimed to create an environment that would be both educating and stimulating for the children and in turn found our staff were touched and inspired by these amazing children,” says Wayne Clarke, General Manager for Metrofile in the Western Cape.

The Paarl School enrolled its first learners in 1978 and has been catering for the education needs of children living with Cerebral Palsy and other mental and physical disabilities. Accommodating learners from the age of three up to the age of 15 in grade 9, the school follows the same curriculum as mainstream schools but keeps classes small for individual attention. Using specialised teaching methods and combining the expertise of educators, therapists and psychologists the school addresses common learning problems in mentally and physically challenged children and where necessary makes amendments for struggling learners with special needs.

Metrofile has been helping the learners from Paarl school for 18 months as part of its dedication to corporate social investment. Under its CSI umbrella Metrofile also provides free storage services and software to charities and is heavily involved in HIV and AIDS awareness and training programs, as well as neighbourhood safety and crime prevention projects in the industrial areas around warehouses.

Metrofile also supports Jordan House Intergenerational Frail and Aids Care Centre, a home that provides care for elderly people, Tsenang Homes of Safety which work with childwelfare and Thembacare AIDS home and orphanage.

“It has been a pleasure working with the Paarl school learners and being able to show them the corporate world and introduce them to business skills and business knowledge that will put them in good stead for the future. We will continue this program indefinitely and look forward to finding new ways of helping the Paarl school learners in any way we can,” ends Clarke.

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#### **About Metrofile**

Established in 1983, Metrofile is the market leader in Africa for information and records management (on and off-site). The only company to provide full end-to-end solutions, Metrofile services customers across all sectors of the economy.

Metrofile's extensive range of services enables companies and organisations to use, store, and recycle their records and information quickly, intelligently and cost effectively – freeing up valuable physical and human resources. Our services include records management, image processing, paper management and extensive range of information solutions including the supply and maintenance of scanning and document handling equipment, software development, online storage and hosting, consultancy and training.

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