

SCHOOL REOPENING MONITORING VISIT AT BAKENBERG

BAKENBERG: Mogalakwena Local Municipality today conducted a school reopening monitoring visit at Dennis Matlhaba Secondary School in Bakenberg. The visit was led by the Speaker of the Municipality, Cllr Senoamadi, accompanied by members of the Executive Committee (EXCO), Ward Councillors, Bakenberg Circuit Manager Mr Simon Hlako, educators and Metropolitan representatives.

The purpose of the visit was to monitor the smooth reopening of schools and to convey a message of support and encouragement to learners, educators and school management as the 2026 academic year begins. The delegation engaged with school leadership and learners to assess readiness, learner attendance and overall learning conditions.

Dennis Matlhaba Secondary School is one of the largest schools in the Bakenberg Circuit. Established in 1983, the school offers technical, commerce and general streams and currently has over 857 learners enrolled. The school continues to demonstrate strong academic performance.

In the 2025 National Senior Certificate (NSC) examinations, the school achieved an impressive 93.38% pass rate, with 121 matriculants writing and 113 learners passing. For 2026, the school has 154 matric learners registered.

The Mogalakwena Local Municipality Speaker, Cllr Senoamadi commended the school for its consistent performance and encouraged learners, particularly the matric class of 2026, to remain disciplined, focused and committed to their studies.

“Education remains a priority for the municipality. We are encouraged by the good results achieved by this school, and we urge learners to work hard and take full responsibility for their future. Your success contributes to the development of the entire community,” said Cllr Senoamadi.

The Municipality reaffirmed its commitment to working with the Department of Education and all stakeholders to support quality education and improved learning outcomes across Mogalakwena.

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