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Merrydale Primary School Feeding Scheme Kitchen Container handover 8 March 2017

The handover of two six-metre containers, joined to form a much-needed kitchen facility, at Merrydale Primary School was a great success, and a true celebration of partnership and community. Merrydale Primary school is located in Mitchells Plain in the Western Cape and has 1,209 children enrolled. Since 2015, Breadline Africa has partnered with the school, having placed a container library on the premises. The library has been so well managed that Breadline Africa did not hesitate when an application for a feeding scheme kitchen came through.



In 2015, Merrydale Primary School was forced to improvise when government approved their application to join the feeding scheme programme. They sectioned part of the aftercare room to make space to cook meals for the 200 eligible learners which was not ideal.



On 8 March 2017, the school celebrated and the principal, Mr Trevor Dilgee took the opportunity to make the all-important announcement of the names of the schools' 2017 head boy and girl, and their deputies. All four of them (pictured in the photograph to the left) received their badges graciously.

“As we celebrate the 2017 International Women’s Day, it is befitting that we applaud the ladies working in the kitchen, who have showed great appreciation of the new facility. It is a job they are obviously proud of - feeding and raising confident children!” said Puleng Phooko, Breadline Africa’s Programme Manager.

Grade R learners in red uniform (above, right).



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