



## Letters from the field: Acornhoek, South Africa

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A PlayPump™ water system was installed at the N.P. Mathabela Secondary School in Acornhoek, South Africa, a rural community in the eastern part of the country.

This PlayPump water pump has really changed our lives; we are all excited about it and will take good care of it. We are now studying in a clean and healthy environment. We are even thinking of having a small garden at the school, now that we have water. This will help learners (students) who are doing Agricultural Science to do practical work, which was never done previously.

~ M.S. Skatane, *Principal*

The water pump has come in very handy at school. We no longer have to bring bottles of water to school everyday, which we used to call “the-bottle-routine”, or go around to the houses near our school asking for water. Even cleaning the classrooms on Fridays is easy and quick. Since the water pump has been erected, we have been thinking of starting our very own vegetable garden to earn a little money for our annual school cultural day and it’s all thanks to the PlayPump water pump.

Now with the PlayPump at our disposal and with its attractive colours, it’s where most of us spend our spare time during break.

~ Pleasure Sebapu, *Student*

Much joy that has come to our house since you have given us the water roundabout called PlayPump. My daughter Violet has much fun and laughing with her friends when they go round and round on the roundabout.

I have told them that they are helping me because their spinning pumps lots of water fast into the big tank near our house. I am happy not to be tired from fetching water every day now.

Where we used to get water is a long way from our place. The whole morning was gone from very early until I came back. My feet and my back are not hurting now. PlayPump water is better. It is clean and fresh. Before we must boil the water to make it clean. We are blessed to have you help us.

~ Trifina Ngwenya, *Parent*