

## Attacq, Sage Foundation partner to bolster child development and education in Tembisa

Attacq Foundation, an Attacq Limited corporate social investment initiative focused on sustainable education and training, has announced that the construction of three new classrooms at Phuthumani Primary School in Tembisa east of Johannesburg has commenced.



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The initiative forms part of the Attacq Foundation's commitment to meaningfully empower the youth through education, equipping them with the necessary skills to be sufficiently prepared to move South Africa forward through employment and entrepreneurship.

Founded in 1899, Phuthumani Primary School is an anchor of the Tembisa community and plays a crucial role in instilling fundamental knowledge to 1,366 learners in a safe, reliable and conducive learning environment.

The Attacq Foundation and Phuthumani Primary School partnership was born from a collaborative project with the Sage Foundation. Recognising the school's need for support in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic, hygiene packs, 230 school shoes and 100 training shoes were donated to pupils in need.



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Additionally, two classrooms were renovated, ensuring students and teachers had access to a refreshed and inviting educational environment. The successful project garnered significant support from Attacq and Sage foundations' various stakeholders, who recognised the initiative's potential to make a meaningful impact on this school and the wider Tembisa community.

The three-year initiative is now in partnership with Sage Foundation, where both parties have committed to invest over R1.6m respectively, reflecting the depth of the pledge to sustainable social development. The Sage Foundation has also committed to implement learner and teacher skills development programmes, launch an ICT project and ensure that learners have access to smart tablets.

Upon completion of the three classrooms, Attacq Foundation and Sage Foundation will expand their collaboration with Phuthumani Primary School by identifying additional key projects to assist the school in meeting its educational objectives.

Danny Vermeulen, transformation manager at Attacq, commented: "This initiative is particularly close to our hearts at Attacq as we fully appreciate the important role primary education plays in our society as the incubator for the next generation of leaders, thinkers, and innovators."

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