

## A HEAVENLY DAY FOR ISIBINDI PROGRAM CHILDREN



Children from the Isibindi Programme gather on the top of Table Mountain.

On 11 November 2017 our Isibindi Programme was granted an opportunity to take forty children on a once in a lifetime experience to the the top of Table Mountain thanks to the generosity of the Table Mountain Aerial Cableway. This was a first for all the children and for many it was a rare opportunity to experience something outside of their community. It was without a doubt a life-changing moment for the children and many expressed that they felt they were in heaven looking down at the majestic scenery all around.



The children excitedly waiting for their Table Mountain cable car to take them to the top of the mountain.

## CHILDREN CELEBRATE WITH TRANSFORMING TOUR



Children from our Best Programme enjoyed a weekend exploring Cape Town, a first for each of them.

The Best Programme has come to an end for this year and the chapter was closed with an exciting exit camp. The weekend was fun-filled while learners explored Cape Town for the very first time. 20 learners from Vredendal embarked on a 400-km journey to Cape Town to meet up with 20 learners from Imizamo Yethu in Hout Bay. The group then explored Cape Town like tourists, and this experience was a first for every single one of them. The little things we take for granted are the momentous occasions that transform James House children's lives forever. Observing the children eat a McDonald's burger or put their feet in the ocean for the first time.

## BEST PROGRAM NEWS BITES

- A BEST program office space is currently being erected at Vergenoeg primary school in Vredendal. The new intake for 2018 will return to school and be surprised with a brand-new working space.
- BEST program hosted a two-day introductory workshop for delegates from six different NGO's around South Africa. This workshop was intended to present our model and ascertain if it was a good fit for these organisations that attended. Feedback was unanimous and that there is a definite need for this model.



Congratulations to Tracey-Lee from Vergenoeg Primary School in Vredendal for receiving an award for placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in Social Science in Grade 6. She was in our intake for the Best Program.

## HOW TO HELP?

James House relies on donations and the generosity of those who offer their time and skills. If you wish to help contact Siya at [siya@jameshouse.org.za](mailto:siya@jameshouse.org.za) or 021 790 5616; or go to our GivenGain page on [www.bit.ly/HelpJamesHouse](http://www.bit.ly/HelpJamesHouse) and start a fundraising project for us.