

Dell assists high school kids

Christel House South Africa (CHSA), an independent school that provides scholarships and a holistic education to poor children in Cape Town, has had a partnership with Dell Development Fund that has seen R2 million worth of computers and other technological equipment donated to the school since 2010.

Its investment in the school will go a long way to make teaching literacy, mathematics and science more stimulating.

Ronald Fortune, high-school principal of Christel says, "We are living with an information age overload and there is huge expectation that students will learn high-level skills such as how to access, evaluate, analyse, and synthesise vast quantities of information. Yet so often this is not possible because many schools, especially in poorer areas, do not have access to the technology necessary to facilitate this.

"Last year when the fund first came on board as a sponsor, it helped us to fully equip two computer rooms at the school, a donation worth R1.9 million. Recently it donated smart boards and other equipment such as web cameras to the value of R800 000 and sponsored R150 000 towards school uniforms."

Fortune says that in the coming weeks, each class will be fitted with its own smart board and web camera.

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