

Key note address

Molemole Library day celebration

29 MARCH 2017

- Programme Director;
- Councillors present here;
- Officials of Molemole Local municipality;
- Representatives of the department of Sports, Arts and Culture in Limpopo;
- Representatives from Limpopo department of education;
- Representatives from the Circuit office
- Principals from various special schools;
- School teachers from various schools;
- Our glorius learners from various schools;
- · Ladies and Gentlemen;

Ke a le dumedisha ka moka;

I want to thank officials of the municipality, notably the department of community services, which is responsible for social services in our municipality, the provincial department of sports, arts and culture and various schools participating here today;

For having organized this educational event;

Chairperson;

You will agree with me that a library is an important cornerstone of a healthy community;

It gives people a chance to explore ideas, it develops people;

We appreciate the provincial department of sports, arts and culture for their continued support with library infrastructure, be it physical and human;

Because indeed - our library provides a sense of place for gathering and exploring new ideas;

It enables our residents to do research for their assignments from the foundation phase to tertiary learning;

We are pleased chairperson that the department is in the process of providing infrastructure for children's library from within Mogwadi Library building;

In the past years we have been relocating our staff to other offices with a view to opening up a space in the building for further face-lifting of the building into a fully-fledged library.

This is a sign ladies and gentlemen;

That as a municipality we support efforts to create a culture of not only learning; But also a culture of reading;

To enable our people, both young and old to get lost in wonderful stories!

To enable pupils and students to indeed do research which will help them create the future for us, be it through work of science, medicine, management or engineering;

We support reading and learning as that provides a platform for our pupils and learners to solve problems facing our country; and of course the world we live in today;

Reading indeed should be encouraged at all ages as it helps people to come up with new solutions to old problems in their respective communities;

Let us encourage our kids to read stories,

Let us encourage our elders to develop a culture of reading;

The late John "Shoes" Moshoeu (May his soul rest in peace) once said "BETTER MISS A MEAL THAN A BOOK"

I hope each one of us is currently reading a particular book at home; be it fiction, educational or biographical;

That is quite important as it serves to encourage our kids to develop the culture of reading;

Let us be the role models for these kids;

As the municipality we commit to double our efforts in ensuring that our library becomes one of the trusted sources of information for our people.

We appeal to the Teachers, our sister department and indeed the community at large to partner with us in this journey;

Happy Library day to you all!

I thank you all and GOD bless!!