



→ Provincial Winner

Excellence in Special Needs Leadership

Name: Irma Mentoor
School: Ligstraal School, Paarl-East
District: Cape Winelands

Ms Irma Mentoor is a visionary leader, a mentor, a motivator, community builder and professional developer who is driven by the motto, “Work hard, work smart and have fun”.

She is a lifelong learner who strongly believes in cultivating a collaborative atmosphere within the school. She exemplifies exceptional dedication and innovation in her role as school leader. She believes in fostering collaboration among various stakeholders, and this includes, amongst others, parents, staff and the community.

She is a driver of the differentiated CAPS curriculum and played an instrumental role in translating various teaching strategies into practical classroom implementation for both staff and learners alike. She has put various structures in place at school to enhance the development of second-tier leadership, encouraging staff to share new ideas and take risks as

long as it is in the best interest of the learners.

She is not afraid to get her hands dirty and knows how to say thank you, often affirming staff and learners who do exceptionally well.

Ms Mentoor believes in success narratives, to discover yourself, to dare to dream, to design and create your vision and to ultimately achieve your destiny. This is embodied in the way that she has created a school of excellence that is now seen as a brand.



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