**FACULTY OF HUMANITIES PROJECT**

**for**

**MANDELA DAY, 18 JULY 2013**

**BOOK DONATION FOR MAMELODI SCHOOLS**

Dear Colleagues

The Dean, Prof Norman Duncan, would like to invite all members of staff and students of the Faculty to take part in a project for Mandela Day, under the auspices of the Faculty’s Community Engagement Committee. The University has previously been involved in projects for Mandela Day and departments in our Faculty had individual projects but we have not had a Faculty project yet.

The purpose of Mandela Day is that we give 67 minutes of our time as service to the community. Rendering service and implementing our civic responsibility are, however, not limited to 67 minutes per year.

With this in mind, the Faculty will now already implement a project that will culminate on Mandela Day in July 2013. As 18 July 2013 falls in the UP recess, we will give our 67 minutes of service in the week thereafter when the schools and UP re-open.

**This year’s Mandela Day Faculty Project**

More than 50% of the primary schools in Mamelodi do not have libraries at all. The Faculty will have a marked container in the foyer of the Humanities Building in which students and staff can deposit books for donation to primary schools in Mamelodi from now until the end of June. In this way, we as the Faculty of Humanities can make a difference. We will, as Faculty, then go to the schools in groups and set up small libraries - even if it is merely one bookcase in a classroom.

Any further suggestions with regard to this initiative will be welcomed. Further arrangements will be communicated to you.

**Please donate children’s books in the designated container in the foyer of the Humanities Building.**

Regards

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