Publication: People's Post (Athlone)
Date: Tuesday, March 02, 2021

Page: 5

## Coaching for school safety ambassadors

A group of school safety ambassadors are currently undergoing training on personal mastery and peace building.

The training of the ambassadors began on Monday 22 February and will continue until Friday 26 March.

It is rendered by the Department of Community Safety at Chrysalis Academy in Tokai.

The programme is designed by the department to promote and enhance safety in the school environment through the appointment of Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) interns known as school safety ambassadors.

Participants will receive a certificate of attendance.

Provincial minister for community

safety Albert Fritz says: "We have received extremely positive feedback from school principals about the impact of our school safety ambassadors.

"The safety ambassadors have contributed wards ensuring that the teaching and administrative staff at the schools can focus on teaching, acaperformdemic the and ance the progress of learners."

Fritz added: "The ambassadors are primarily placed at primary schools in the Mitchell's Plain and Klipfontein areas and have played a critical role in assisting schools with Covid-19 activities such as screening, social distancing protocols and other related matters.

They have also assisted schools with certain administrative tasks."

Fritz further added that a total of 83 interns are part of the programme.

A day in the life of a safety ambassador consists of assisting the school with administrative tasks, patrolling the perimeter and acting as teaching assistants.

The department is partnering with Chrysalis Academy in offering these workshops.



One of the fitness sessions which forms part of the training.