**IWKEZI LEAD TEACHER PROJECT**

**BC SUPPORT FORUM 2015**

**Meeting 1: 25 May 2015**

**Place:** Blue Downs Primary

**Time:** 14h30 – 16h30

**No of teachers:** 6 (see register)

**Focus:** General refresher

**Handouts:** Teaching Model (A3) and BC Newsletter

**Evaluation:** Yes, but the teachers still need to submit the form at the next meeting

**Content of the meeting:** i) BC refresher activities, ii) focus on letter and the teaching model, iii) update and feedback from teachers

**Comments:**

* The teachers were positive and actively involved during the meeting.
* A lot emphasis was placed on using language and specifically conceptual language in the classroom.
* When teachers were asked to give input/feedback they admitted that they were not implementing the programme formally, but were aware of the steps of the teaching model in their day-to-day teaching. They gave several examples of what they were doing and how this aligned with the teaching model.
* There was a discussion about the difference between teaching and mediational teaching.
* Tami’s participation added much value to the above discussions.
* I tried to explain how the Mediator Zone works, but could not demonstrate how it works because of a lack of connectivity.
* The teachers made a commitment to fill in the BC feedback form, developed for this session – see attachment.
* Details and times for the next 4 sessions were negotiated: The start time of the sessions have been adjusted to 13h15 – 15h15

**Recommendations:**

* Tami to draft a letter to all the teachers to encourage them to attend the forum meetings.
* We need to give teachers more notification for the next meeting – send the sms at least a week before the meeting.
* Possible ideas for next session: i) do the same starter activities, ii) revise the teaching model and ask the teachers to teach a concept, iii) Show a video clip, iv) revise the rationale of the approach if a lot more teachers attend, v) ask teachers to share what they are doing – provide a reflection sheet for the next meeting, vi) show the teachers how to register on the Mediator Zone.