



Help a South African school, be in with a chance of winning a 'Gastronaut Live' show with BBC presenter Stefan Gates, and up to £1,000 for your school

It gives me a great pleasure to invite you to enter the **Help a South African School Competition 2017**, organised by the South African fruit industry and growers' association, HORTGRO.

For every farm worker in South Africa there are, on average, four dependents that rely on the fruit industry to provide education, housing, health and social care, and this competition is yet another way the industry is helping its employees.

Illiteracy is a big problem in South Africa and their schools are in desperate need of resources, particularly reading and text books; research has shown that only 7% of all schools in South Africa have functional school libraries. The aim of this competition is to encourage British children to learn about South Africa, whilst helping underprivileged farm and rural schools by donating unwanted books.

How you can help

We would like to ask parents and schools to donate English language text and reading books. Any donations will be gratefully received by schools in South Africa, whose access to educational resources is extremely limited. 1 box or 20 boxes, whatever you can manage. Last year we shipped over 1,000 boxes of books to children in desperate need. One UK school donated its entire library.

We will collect these books from you and ship them for free.

To register for a book collection and to see some wonderful photos from last year's deliveries, please visit www.helpasouthafricanschool.co.uk.

We are looking for one UK school to donate unwanted computers or laptops to create a close link with a South African school. Please contact us on help@southafricanschool.co.uk if you are interested.

The competition

This year, the competition invites school children to create a collage to represent:

"Flavours of South Africa".

You could be inspired by South African culture, geography, our wildlife or people; or the many wonderful foods and drinks we grow and produce. You could even create an original recipe and make a collage of the resources you use and photos you take.

For more information on the story of South African fruit, including some videos and loads of inspiring photos of previous collage entries and book donations, visit www.helpasouthafricanschool.co.uk. There are exciting prizes on offer for the top three winning schools, and all valid entries will receive a certificate signed by the UK's South African High Commissioner.

On behalf of the South African Embassy and HORTGRO, we wish you the very best of luck.

Yours faithfully,

Anton Rabe, Executive Director, HORTGRO



Entry Instructions



Collage Competition

The Help a South African School Competition is open to all children in the UK in years 1-6, or middle school children up to age 13.

To enter, you need to produce a collage to represent:

“Flavours of South Africa”

For more information on the story of South African fruit, including a short video, please visit www.helpasouthafricanschool.co.uk.

Creativity is one of the things judges will be looking for so use whatever materials and resources you can find; photos, illustrations, textiles, dried fruit or newspaper extracts.

Instructions

- One entry permitted per school
- Collages must be no bigger than A1 in size (594 × 841mm)
- Completed entry forms must be securely fastened to the back of the collage
- Collages should be completed and sent to the address found on the entry form. Entries must be received by **Friday 26th May 2017**
- For full terms and conditions, please visit www.helpasouthafricanschool.co.uk

The Prizes

1st Prize: A bespoke ‘Gastronaut Live’ show in your school by TV presenter Stefan Gates AND £1000 towards resources for the school. See www.helpasouthafricanschool.co.uk for Stefan’s showreel

2nd Prize: £1000 towards resources for the school

3rd Prize: £500 towards resources for the school

All valid entries will receive a certificate signed by the UK’s South African Ambassador.

The Judging Process

Valid entries will be judged twice; by South African embassy dignitaries at the South African High Commission, then at a high profile fresh produce event in London by a carefully selected panel – in the past this has included a Times Educational Supplement journalist, a South African honorary consul, and professionals from both the fruit industry and consumer and trade media. Collages will be marked out of 25 and the following criteria:

- Content of collage (out of 5)
- Relevance to the title (out of 5)
- Understanding and learning of South Africa (out of 5)
- Creativity (out of 5)
- Pupils’ input versus the teacher’s (out of 5)

Book Donation

For more information on how to donate your unwanted books and to register for a free collection visit www.helpasouthafricanschool.co.uk

Once registered, we will contact you to arrange a collection date.



Entry Form



- **Closing date for collage entry:**
Friday 26th May 2017

Advice on how to send your collage

- Make sure it is protected and waterproof – use plenty of bubble wrap!
- Take it to your local Post Office and remember to get proof of postage
- Proof of postage is not proof of receipt – recorded delivery is advised if you would like to guarantee receipt of your entry

Name of school:

Year group:

Name of teacher:

Address of school:

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Contact telephone number of school:

Contact email address:

Finished your collage and collected all your unwanted books? What next?

1. Attach this entry form to the back of your collage

2. Send your **collage** to:

Help a South African School Competition
Red Communications Ltd
3-4 Free Church Passage
St Ives
Cambridgeshire PE27 5AY

3. Box up your **book donations** separately and register for collection at:

www.helpsouthafricanschool.co.uk

Once registered, we will contact you to arrange a collection date.

For queries, please contact us on 01480 465953 or
email help@southafricanschool.co.uk