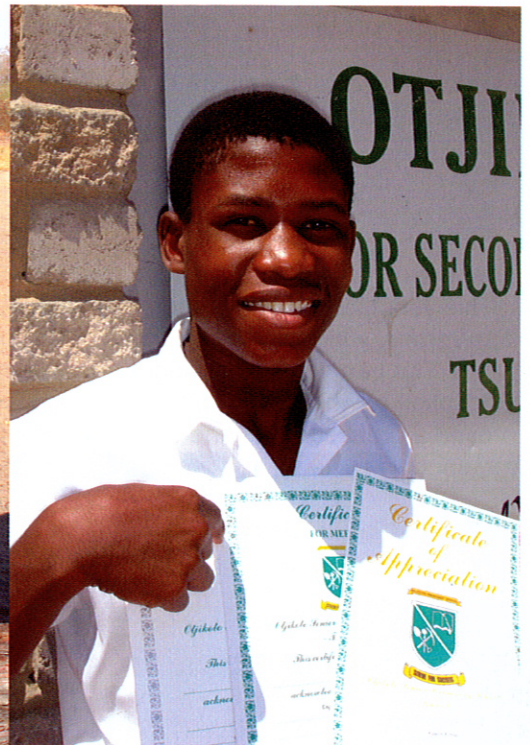


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## project



Left: Principal Cwisa Cwi (far right) with pupils and teachers at Denlui School in the Nyae Nyae Conservancy point out the tree brought down by elephants in the night. Right: Jobus Kaiseb with certificates of prizes he won during the year

The ROSL/Namibia project was established in 1995 with the Ministry of Basic Education and Culture to provide ROSL school bursaries for Bushman and other children living in remote areas or difficult situations who wanted to gain an education.

Due to the generosity of ROSL members and other donors, the project was also later extended to bursaries at a tertiary level and support for three isolated schools that have hostel accommodation – Hippo in the Omaheke, Katora in the Namib desert and Huigub in the Oshikoto region.

During the annual monitoring visit in October, it was a pleasure to see the good progress of bursary recipients and schools. The usual end-of-visit audit (with receipts and school accounts) was held with co-founder and former Deputy Minister of Education, Hon Clara Bohitile MP, and education consultant, Paul Oosthuizen.

A particularly pleasing highlight was the progress of the isolated but dedicated Huigub Primary School. In spite of

drought, floods and meningitis, Huigub came third out of 119 schools for grade 7 results and fifth for overall results during 2007. Equally encouraging was the fact that five bursary alumni are now qualified teachers – Elias Araeb, Jon Noadeb, Melissa Uses, Kaijandere Kaizondjou and Cwisa Cwi, who was appointed principal of the five bush schools in the Nyae Nyae Conservancy in June.

During the year, seven new recipients were welcomed into the project and in an effort to increase funding from outside sources the project was successfully assessed and registered with CAFAmerica.

'ROSL went that extra mile, which is why these kids have succeeded. They fall out of the system because nobody cares. This project keeps them in,' said Clara Bohitile. The generosity of all those members who have helped them along the way is greatly appreciated.

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