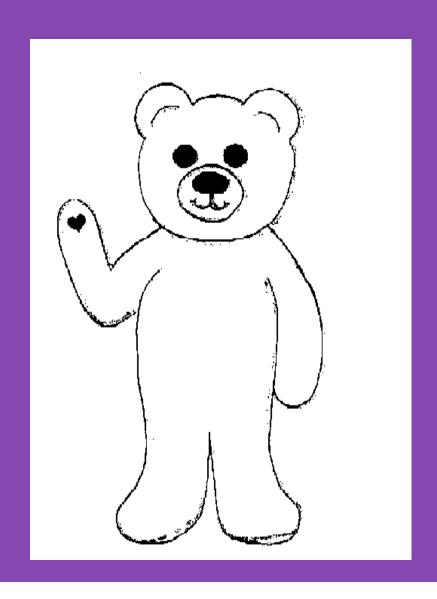
## PURPLE HANDS BEAR PROGRAM



## IMPLEMENTATION OF HANDS & WORDS ARE NOT FOR HURTING PROJECT

The Purple Hands Preschool curriculum manual was adapted to meet the standards of school and nursery curriculums in South Africa. The necessary changes were made and was adapted into 6 lessons.

The program is presented to Grade R and Grade 1's in Pre- and Primary schools. For now the program will be presented only in Potchefstroom, if the necessary funding is received it will be roll-out to other towns in the district.

#### The program discuss the following topics:

- My hands & words are not for hurting
- I am special
- Kind words
- Being polite & kind
- Respect
- Teasing

A Purple Bear Hand Puppet are used to explain, discuss and teach the learners new songs, concept and values. Each lesson involves one or more hand activities like making bookmarks and colour in pictures.

The learners love the purple bear and enjoy singing the songs (Hello, Hello song, Purple Hand Pledge song and Twinkle, Twinkle Purple Hands Bear)

The book that we use to explain use of kind words is *Excuse Me! By Karen Katz* 



Purple Hands Bear Puppet

# IMPLEMENTING THE PROGRAM – PHOTO'S







### **STATISTICS**

The program was implemented in 2011 and the feedback received from the schools are very positive.

The program was implemented at

- 3 Pre-schools
- 4 Primary schools
- 312 learners were reached