

The Lüderitz Blue School - inspiring wild and curious minds



The Blue School Difference



International Curriculum
The Blue School offers an internationally recognised curriculum tailored to meet local needs.



Scholarship Places
We offer a high-proportion of scholarship places to offer the best quality education to the most deserving learners.



Full programme of extra-curricular activities
Every day there is a different activity from robotics to oceans day. Many are open to the wider community.



Individual Attention
We have the luxury of small class sizes so every child gets the attention they need to thrive.

Where the ocean meets the desert

The Lüderitz Blue School celebrates the unique environment of Lüderitz. Both the curriculum and the extra-curricular activities have a strong focus on ocean education to celebrate and strengthen the town's relationships with its unique natural environment.



The problems of tomorrow's world will be tackled through the education of today.
In the institutions of the future, people will be judged on merit alone.
The Lüderitz Blue School is a first step towards that world.

Vision 2030

We envisage a world-class, financially independent school that:



Fosters a cohort of learners (at least 20% on full scholarship) who are community minded, academically brilliant, service-orientated and go on to do extraordinary things.



Has achieved full accreditation from Cambridge International.



Has a boarding / hostel option to welcome learners from across Namibia and internationally.



Has established affiliations with other schools in Namibia and around the world.



Has a reputation for excellence in the region and nation-wide.



Runs a successful programme of extracurricular activities that enriches the social and cultural life of Lüderitz.

Meet the Board



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Former Adviser to HM Queen Rania



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Blue School Values



Academic Excellence

In breadth as well as in depth



Boundless Curiosity

A love of questioning and discovery



Open-Mindedness

Inclusive and empathetic



Tenacity

Bold and audacious, tenacious and resilient



Gallantry

Generosity of spirit, kind and helpful to others



Environmental Awareness

Aware, awed by, and knowledgeable about the desert, the sea, and the past and present of the region



The Lüderitz Blue School - Fundraising Menu



General Running Costs

The most useful donation to the school would be a contribution towards general running costs to be spent at the school's discretion to cover staffing, utilities, equipment, insurance, stationery - all the things that are less photogenic but are essential to the successful running of the school. Some indications of how a donation might be spent are set out below. Donations of any size are welcome.

Blue School Staffing

The single most important ingredient to the success of a school is its teaching staff.

Existing funding covers the costs of an experienced international teacher and director, one local teacher, one administrator and one extra-curricular coordinator.

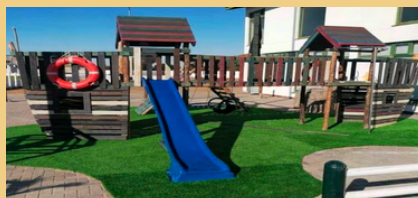
Additional funding would allow us to strengthen and expand the teaching staff to cover a broader range of subjects and expertise, including senior primary (grades 6 and 7) from 2024.

Teachers	Annual cost in NAD	Annual Cost in EUR
International teacher with significant teaching and management experience, salary, medical cover and housing	600,000	30,000
Qualified and experienced Namibian teacher , salary and medical cover	300,000	15,000
Ad hoc Reading Support for learners who need extra help with reading	50,000	2,500
Senior Primary / Secondary specialist teacher	400,000	20,000

Building and Playground Purchase and Renovations

The Lüderitz Blue School currently rents half of a historic building with huge charm, a waterfront location and plenty of scope for expansion.

The owners of the building have agreed to sell it to us at an extremely reasonable price if we can successfully raise funds. They are also happy for us to paint it blue before purchasing.



Purchase of Building	NAD 2,000,000	EUR 100,000
Repainting of building	NAD 120,000	EUR 6,000
Playground equipment	NAD 75,000	EUR 3,750

Extra-Curricular Programme

The programme currently includes Arts and Crafts, Robotics, Lego, Mythology and Astronomy, Cooking, Sign Language, Oceans Day and Adventure Club. Our envisioned expansion activities would include sports, drama, debating, languages and more.



Annual Running Costs

NAD
500,000

EUR
25,000

Scholarship Places

A high proportion of scholarship places are available for those children who have the ability and interest to thrive in an environment like the Blue School, but who would not otherwise be able to afford the school fees.

Annual Cost of Scholarship Child

NAD
42,000

EUR
2,100



Library

Access to books is a challenge in Lüderitz - St George's Cologne have generously shared a number of books with us - we just have to pay for shipment. We would like to expand the library to open the resource to the community.



Expanding into Community library

NAD
100,000

EUR
5,000

Cost of sending a box of books

NAD
2,000

EUR
100

School Bus



A school bus could be used to bring children to and from school, with priority given to scholarship children. It could also be used for Ocean's Day and other off-site excursions.

Initial Purchase price

NAD
450,000

EUR
22,500

Annual Running Costs

NAD
20,000

EUR
1,000

Tidal Pool and Lifesaver Club

Between 5-10 children drown in Lüderitz every year due to a lack of swimming competency, and a lack of life-saving resources at public beaches. A tidal pool would provide a safe space to run swimming and life-saving lessons. The initial designs have been done and the project is now awaiting approvals from Lüderitz Town Council.

Construction costs

NAD
5,000,000

EUR
250,000

Annual Costs for swimming lessons and lifeguards

NAD
400,000

EUR
20,000

