

Practicing Democracy – Elections of African child cabinet in LETU 6 Schools

In each of the 18 schools participating in the initiative, ADF members presented the whole project and organized, supported by the school’s educators, the election of the child president and 4 members of his cabinet (with portfolios chosen to be relevant to the adopted country).



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© Habib Allah. A learner eager to participate, in a debate coordinated by Talla Niang (ADF), Serge Lwamba (ADF), and educators.

Learners queue to vote with secret ballots for their President and cabinet, after a campaign has been run by the competing candidates – some full of energy and vision for what they would do for ‘their’ country.



© Habib Allah. An energetic candidate presents her programme of action for her country, once in government. Amandla!



© Habib Allah. Hillcrest Primary – elections of the Moroccan President and his/her child cabinet, supervised by one educator. It needs to be a



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Once elected, the child cabinet has the responsibility of representing their school in the competition (soccer and educational); and of conducting the bulk of the research on their country, that they will present to their class.



© Habib Allah. Round of applause for the elected candidate, who remains modest (but proud) in his victory.



© Habib Allah. Troyeville Primary, educators organize with the Tanzanian child cabinet. Two of the members of the cabinet are actually from migrant origin.

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