**Vision:**
For all children in Africa to be able to experience quality education.

**Mission:**
Innovation in education to uplift and empower

**Our Focus**

Like so many developing nations across the world, South Africa is struggling to deliver quality Primary Education to all of its children particularly with respect to Maths. Many schools face the challenges of poverty, poor infrastructure, large class sizes and children learning in a second language.

Green Shoots has harnessed an ability to collect learner data using technology and has utilised it to craft a people-focused solution that is significantly improving Maths teaching & learning in Primary schools of all contexts.

To impact the maximum number of learners at a sustainable level, a solution needed to be designed that would not simply address problems within the classroom but also those of the wider education system. Credible, real time, ongoing feedback from the classroom and learner analytics are vital for all the education system stakeholders. Only then can they address in the most effective way the major learning barriers and teaching blockages. (Our current offering is split between the Non-Profit Company and associated Social Enterprise. Maths Curriculum Online & Maths@Home are owned by the Social Enterprise.)

**Impact and beneficiaries**

Since 2012, Green Shoots has supported over 155,000 beneficiaries at over 260 schools and after school centres.

Independent evaluations have concluded that Green Shoots has had significant impact on improving:

- the quality of teaching in Maths
- learners’ attitude to and engagement in Maths
- learner attainment in Maths
- Education Department practice with regards to the integration of ICT & data informed decisions
Partners & Projects

Green Shoots has partnered with funders including Comic Relief UK, Global Giving, Human Dignity Foundation/PEDP, Rupert Onderwysstigting, Remgro Ltd and various Education Districts. Green Shoots also supports other NGOs including Imbala Trust, Blue Jay Trust and Legacy Centre.

Awards & Achievements

2015-16 WISE Accelerator winner (Qatar Foundation). Green Shoots was one of five projects selected globally. The World Innovation Summit for Education (WISE) Accelerator is designed to support the development of young, innovative projects with high potential for scalability and positive impact in the field of education.

2016 Reimagine Awards. Shortlisted for Hybrid Learning Award. Reimagine Education is a global education awards program and elite educational forum, receiving applications from top universities and EdTech companies.

2017 Tech4Good Awards. Shortlisted in Tech4Good for Africa Award. Green Shoots was one of four finalists in this category and the only EdTech project selected.

Staff & Board

As an organisation, our core understanding is that ‘we work with people not computers’. The development of people is central to all our outcomes and interactions. The Green Shoots Team is a highly qualified, professional and dedicated group of multi-skilled individuals. They are drawn from the educational and technical worlds, which enables them to bring a wealth of experience to any programme. The diversity of expertise within Green Shoots allows for creativity, efficient implementation and effective on-going evaluation.

Green Shoots NPC Board consists of Michael Taberer, Leonora Sauls, Thandi Sililo, Jo Besford and Mark Swartz. Their experience is in the fields of business, philanthropy, non-profit management and education.

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