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Benjamin Primary School in Mpumalanga scoops third place at Baswa Le Meetse competition

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Benjamin Primary School from Matsulu in the City of Mbombela came in third in the music category in Baswa Le Meetse National Competition held from 10 to 13 July 2017 at the Lakes Hotel in Johannesburg. Benjamin Primary was representing Mpumalanga Province and showcased their talents against other provincial winners from the other eight provinces of the country.

Baswa Le Meetse is a project under the 2020 Vision for Water Education Programme targeting Grade 6 learners in Primary School. The learners participate in art forms as a way of educating one another about water use efficiency and taking care and protecting water resources. The art forms where the learners compete include drama, music, poetry, praise singing and posters.

Ms Esther Mbuyane, the educator and mentor stated that she was very excited to have attained third in their first attempt at the national competition.

“We only had limited time to prepare but getting position three at first attempt is a great achievement for us. I am so happy for the learners for the commitment and extra effort they put. I also want to thank our mentors, Mr Mavuso and Ms Sonto for their guidance and support. I have also learnt a lot through observing and interacting with other educators from the other provinces and the comments from the adjudicators will go a long way in preparing us for the next year”, she said.

The team leader, Wenzuwe Godi could not contain her excitement and said:

“I am so excited about us coming up in the top three, especially as it is our first time in the competition. The trip was very educational in terms of the competitions and the excursions to



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the water and waste water treatment plants as well as the Rand Water nature reserve as they exposed us to the water and sanitation business in detail”.

Themba Khoza