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DWS North West Region celebrates global hand wash at Tlapa la Thuto Primary School

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The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) in North West commemorated Global Hand wash Day at Tlapa la Thuto Primary School in Klipgat, Madibeng local Municipality.

This important international day is commemorated annually on 15 October in a bid to raise awareness to the public about the importance of hand washing with soap and water as an effective and affordable way to prevent diseases and save lives.

Under the banner of its Sanitation Campaign, DWS educated the learners at Tlapa la Thuto about the importance of this day, and also encouraged the learners to actively engage in good hand hygiene practices as part of promoting good health.

During the occasion, proper handwashing methods were demonstrated to the learners. This included seven steps of good hand washing technique including the use of tippy tap as an object to wash hands effectively, and to save water at the same time.

Mr Tieho Ntja from DWS, said the main aim of the engagement was to promote hand wash practices with clean water and soap often before preparing food and eating, after visiting a toilet, etc. He said the learners were also sensitized to continuously use sanitisers on their hands, particularly when they are in public spaces.

Mr. Ntja also highlighted that washing hands regularly with soap is the most effective and inexpensive way to reduce the spread of diseases. Thus, we all must heed the call of making hand washing a habit.

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