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DWS and Elands Hex Catchment Management Forum celebrates WATER WEEK in Krondaal

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The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) in partnership with Elands Hex Catchment Management Forum celebrated Water Week in Krondaal Primary School on Friday, 21 April 2017.

This is part of ongoing efforts by the department to educate the public about the value of water and the need for sustainable management of this scarce resource.

The event was envisaged to continue building on the ongoing awareness creation within the broader South African community in a bid to forge partnerships with various members of the community to actively participate in water source management.

The aim of the event was to encourage people to change their attitudes towards water usage, with particular emphasis on water conservation to ensure its sustainability in future and also remind everyone about the importance and responsibility that every citizen must take in ensuring the efficient use of water resources.

Addressing the learners at Krondaal Primary School, Mr Sam Thobejane from DWS highlighted that the DWS wants to encourage values of natural water resource management and also promote careers in water sector in order to address scarce skills shortage.

“We believe that you as learners are the best educators and are able to change the mindset of your families and the entire community. Thus, we are here today to educate you about the importance of water. Always remember that Water cannot be substituted with anything. Help us to conserve water and become water ambassadors in your different localities”, said Mr Sam Thobejane.

Moreover, Mr Thobejane highlighted that there is a need to work together as a nation to conserve water, guard against pollution of water resources and not tamper with water infrastructure as our country has water availability challenges.

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