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Learners taught to stay healthy

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The Department of Water and Sanitation in partnership with the Department of Education and Chris Hani District Municipality converged at Mtwaku JSS in Mtwaku Village, Engcobo on Wednesday 24 May 2017 to mark the celebration of Sanitation Month awareness campaign and to educate communities about the importance of sanitation, health and hygiene.

Officials demonstrated the 8 steps of washing hands with soap and running water to minimise germs and reduce the spread of diseases, i.e. Step 1: Wet hands; Step 2: Apply soap; Step 3: Rub hands together; Step 4: Rub between fingers; Step 5: Rub each finger; Step 6: Clean finger nails; Step 7: Rinse with running water; Step 8: Wipe hands with a dry towel.

This year the sanitation awareness campaign is celebrated under the theme “**Sanitation for Health and Dignity**”. The main objective of celebrating National Sanitation Month is to increase awareness about the importance of sanitation to one’s daily lifestyle, health and dignity. Access to sanitation has improved for people worldwide, thanks to increased global efforts and technologies.

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