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MINISTER MOTSHEKGA TO COMMEMORATE 2022 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY IN UMBUMBULU, KWAZULU NATAL

The Minister of Basic Education, Mrs Angie Motshekga, will on Friday 14 October 2022, mark Global Handwashing Day at Empushini Primary School in Umbumbulu in the Umlazi District, Kwazulu Natal.

This is done in partnership with UNILEVER and under the theme "Unite for Universal Hand Hygiene", Global Handwashing Day is an annual global advocacy day commemorated on 15 October.

The day is dedicated to increasing awareness and understanding about the importance of handwashing with soap as an effective and affordable way to prevent the spread of diseases and promote positive wellbeing.

Global Handwashing Day provides a platform to call for all South Africans to wash hands regularly with soap, especially after using the toilet, changing baby nappies, handling waste and before preparing food with the core aims of Strengthening awareness on the importance of hand washing with clean water and soap as well as promoting and creating conducive environments for good hygiene practices in schools, households and health facilities.

Members of the media are invited to cover the 2022 Global Handwashing Day as follows:

Date: Tomorrow, Friday 14 October 2022

Time: 09H00

Venue: Empushini Primary School, Umbumbulu, Umlazi District, KZN

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