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MEC Lesufi to launch first Autism school in Gauteng

The Gauteng MEC for Education, Mr Panyaza Lesufi, will on Monday, 18 January 2016 launch the first Autism specific special school in Gauteng that has its own premises.

Thulasizwe School for Autism, the first of its kind in Gauteng brings specialised support provisioning to learners with Autism within reach of their parents who are financially and otherwise overburdened.

The school being situated in Soweto will relief learners with Autism in the area from the stress of having to travel long distances to school. This school will allow 80 learners the opportunity to get to school within 30 minutes.

The school has been specially customised to cater for learners with Autism. This includes the colour of classroom paint, colour of chairs, play areas, therapy centre, curriculum and teacher capacity building.

Details of the launch are as follows:

Date: Monday, 18 January 2016
Time: 9h30 for 10h00
Venue: 9305 Ngobese Street
Orlando West
Soweto

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