

MEDIA ALERT

To: All Media

ATT: News Editors and Infrastructure Development Reporters.

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14 January 2020.

Gauteng Department of Infrastructure Development and Property Management, MEC Tasneem Motara, officially hands over Noordgesig Primary School

The Gauteng Department of Infrastructure Development and Property Management MEC Ms. Tasneem Motara will on Wednesday, 15 January 2020, officially hand over Noordgesig Primary School to the MEC of the Gauteng Department of Education and Youth Development, Mr. Panyaza Lesufi. This is the first school MEC Motara will be handing over since taking office in 2019.

Noordgesig Primary School is situated at 800 Bergroos Street, Soweto, Gauteng. The facility will cater for leaners from Grade R to Grade 7. The school is a modern information technology based facility with its unique design based on limited space of site that incorporates the Department of Education National Schools Infrastructure Norms and Standards. The school falls in the mega school category and due to size the response to the demand trends encountered across the province. Noordgesig Primary School will accommodate more than 1800 learners.

The Department of Infrastructure Development and Property Management took under its wing, 149 EPWP participants thus far for this project to be trained whilst on the project. Subsequently 30 of these EPWP participants participated in the on-site training programme and now specialize in plumbing, electrical, bricklaying and plastering. This beautiful new school took a total of 72 weeks to build and 42 local sub-contractors were employed in this project.

"All South Africans have the right to basic education and according to the Bill of Rights of the country's Constitution, the state has an obligation, through reasonable measures, to progressively make infrastructure and education available and accessible to learners across the region." MEC Motara.

MEC Motara and dignitaries will also visit Little Nation Early Childhood Development Centre and visit Top Performing Schools in the District with the MEC of Education and Youth Development and Acting MEC of Social Development, Mr. Panyaza Lesufi.

In attendance with MEC Motara as she hands over her very first school since taking office will be:

- Gauteng Premier Mr. David Makhura;
- MEC for Education and Youth Development Mr. Panyaza Lesufi;
- Mayor of Johannesburg Mr. Geoff Makhubo;
- Ward Councilor Ms. Brenda Damme
- And the School Governing Body.

The media is invited to attend this programme as follows:

- Date: 15 January 2020 - Time: 06h00 for 07h00

- Venue: 800, Noordgesig, Soweto, 1804.

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