



Media Advisory

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On Thursday the 3rd of April, the Department of Social Development together with its entities; NDA and SASSA will be officially launch the Thaba Patchoa Early Childhood Center.

The Thaba Patchoa Educare Center was established in 1996 to provide day care services to the community of the area. It started operating at the residence of the matron. As the number of children increased from 16 to 27, the municipality provided space for the Educare Center at the old post office building but the site did not have proper fencing. The classrooms did not have sufficient sunlight and they were not properly lit. These class rooms were also not safe as the doors were very old and did not close properly and they became very uncomfortable during winter and on windy days.

Today there are 51 children at Thaba Patchoa, 1 Matron, 2 Practitioners, 1 Gardener, 1 Cleaner and 1 Cook. The MEC of Social Development was touched by the excellent work that the staff members were making despite of the awful conditions that they are working under and made a commitment to ensure that a suitable facility for early childhood education is built in that area so that the children are taught in an appropriate and suitable environment.

The media is hereby invited to launch

The event details are arranged as follows:

Date: 3 April 2014

Venue: Thaba Patchoa Educare Center

Time: 10:00 – 15:00

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