GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY 15TH OCTOBER 2014 IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

The Global Handwashing Day on October 15th was celebrated in public and private early childhood education institutions throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina for the first time. Although the activities on handwashing and taking care of ourselves are common and have a long tradition within the preschool, teachers and children were inspired to do it once again, because:

“Not to get sick and do not get into your mouth”, “To be clear”, “When you eat with dirty hands diseased bowel”, „Because not to enter the bacterium into your body, than you have to get a bottle of syrup“, „Do not get worms“ (children from kindergarten “Milja Đukanović“ from Mrkonjić Grad, Republic of Srpska, RS)
Moments from the youngest educational group in kindergarten “Milja Đukanović” from Mrkonjić Grad (RS).

Activities on handwashing and talking about it in public ECE institution „Naša Radost“ in Prnjavor (RS).

Olivera Janjić, preschool teacher from Banja Luka, RS, made three video clips with children kindergarten “Bubamara” from public ECE institution in Banja Luka “Center for preschool education”. The clips were presented all the day on the 15th October on two televisions: Alternativna TV and Elta – kabel.
In the kindergarten “Naša radost” (Trebinje, RS), the *Global Handwashing Day 15th October 2014* was celebrated through activities that expanded the already adopted habits and knowledge of the importance of regular and frequent hand washing. Children were happy to take part in activities that their teachers organized on this topic.

These activities were connected with the *World's Health Food Day 16th October 2014*, when the workshop with Dr. Natalija Komnenović from the Centre for Public Health was organized. Importance of selection of proper nutrition, the significance of grains, fruits, vegetables, meat, milk and eggs as well as carbohydrates and fats, also a moderate and varied diet, pointed out. Technologist from Milk industry "Pađeni", presented and offered to children a variety of their milk products to consume.
Children with their teachers washed their hands and participate in activity on raising the awareness of need for sustaining our Water clean (kindergarten “Marija Madžar” (Public ECE institution Centre for preschool education Banja Luka, RS).

Student Vladana Gajić from Study Program for Early Childhood Education on Faculty of Philosophy (University of Banja Luka, RS) informed her peers about the Global Handwashing Day.
The activities for the celebration of the Global Handwashing Day were integrated into an everyday activities with whole and small groups in public ECE institution “Čika Jova Zmaj” from Bijeljina, RS, town that was suffered from recent floods.

*Cleaning the baby*

Activity flow in education groups in “Čika Jova Zmaj” in Bijeljina (RS).
Children from Hercegovačko-neretvanski Canton (FBiH) in public ECE institution „Dječiji vrtići-Ciciban“ Mostar washed their hands with teacher.

Photos from kindergarten „Jasmin“

Why do we wash our hands....?

- Not to be dirty
- Not to be sweety (sticky)
- We should wash our hands before we eat
- When we touch our mouths with dirty hand the bacterium will come into our mouth
- We wash our hands after outdoor
- I handled a cat and washed hands
Photos from kindergarten „Zvjezdica” in Zalik (Mostar, HN Canton, FBiH)

Kindergarten „Pčelica” Tekija (Mostar, HN Canton, FBiH)

We take the disease into our body if we don’t wash our hands
In kindergarten „Renzo Donazzon“ in Bijelo Polje (Mostar, HN Canton, FbiH), children and teacher had the activity

*We wash our hands after outdoor playing*

*When you take toys, and if there are bacterium, then when you get the piece of bread the bacterium comes into your stomach*

In public and private ECE institutions throughout Canton Sarajevo (FBiH) celebrated the Global Handwashing Day through different children's and teachers' activities. Public ECE institution „Djeca Sarajevo“ (Canton Sarajevo, FBiH): Teacher Ljubica Andrić and the children from kindergarten „Biseri“ listen the story “Bacterium” and washed their hands.

Teachers Jasmina Šerak and Andrea Peharda from kindergarten Makovi using a children’s story „Ciciban i Cicifuj“ insipred children’s drawings:
Children form kindergarten Mašnica made with their teacher Edina Zuban were included in activity with the whole group “How do we wash our hands”:

Children’s drawing from the kindergartens Lastavica and Ribica:

Teachers Jamak Senida, Amila Bičević and Nafa Agić presented a performance to children “Losted fruits”:
Children presented how the wash their hands: “Well, we wash our hands like this!”

In the kindergarten Pčelica (tacher Maša Šegić):

*We should wash our hands three times, before breakfast, lunch and dinner, said Mehmed.*

Children and teachers from public ECE institution Novi Grad (Sarajevo, CS, FbiH) were drawing and learning the songs:

In the kindergarten Slavuj
In the private kindergarten “Pipi Duga Čarapa”, a teacher Alma Konjičanin (Sarajevo, CS, FBiH):

In International kindergarten Sunshine (Sarajevo, CS, FBiH), children made their hands dirty first:
Then:

Pranje ruku je bitno za naše zdravlje, a može da bude i jako zabavno.

"Ruke peremo zato što su nam prijave." Efecan

Sretni smo jer su naše ruke sada čiste.
Teachers and children from kindergartens from Sarajevo send you many greetings and much love:
A number of ECE institutions answered on our call for celebrating the Global Handwashing Day on Octobar 15<sup>th</sup> this year. There were many photos, drawings, children’s thoughts, activities… although OMEP BiH is on its beginnings. For us it is promising!

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„*A lot of bacterium came“*