



Global Handwashing Day 2020

Assembly Overview – w/c 12th October

[Access your assembly video here!](#)

OVERVIEW AND AIM

Lifebuoy have created a fun and educational assembly to teach children more about the importance of handwashing. Featuring television's Dr Ranj Singh, Lifebuoy's interactive assembly will help to explain how germs spread, why handwashing is so important, and remind children of when to wash their hands.

WHAT IS GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY?

Global Handwashing Day is an international celebration that takes place every year on **15th October** and this is the first year it is being celebrated in the UK. It is dedicated to increasing awareness and understanding about the importance of handwashing with soap as an effective and affordable way to prevent diseases and save lives. We want to inspire people across the world to wash their hands regularly and thoroughly.

WHAT ARE WE DOING?

Lifebuoy appreciates that the return to school life has been a challenge for teachers, pupils and parents. Adapting to new schedules and different routines that are very different to life pre-pandemic, teachers have been asked to step up in a way they never have before. This is why Lifebuoy want to try to take a little bit off teacher's plates.

We have put together a special assembly for children, with the help of NHS Doctor, Dr Ranj Singh to educate them on the importance of hand hygiene which includes a fun and easy science experiment to show how bacteria spreads and the role soap plays in helping to keep germs at bay.

FORMAT AND EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

- For classroom delivery
 - Smartboard, TV or large screen connected to the internet to show the video

ASSEMBLY GUIDELINES

- Introduce Global Handwashing Day and why we are celebrating
- Explain that someone very special is going to be doing their Assembly today and will appear on screen
- Set-up and play 10-minute video (including pauses for questions) – you'll see there are three questions asked by children on screen, you might want to pause here and see if the children know the answer or want to take a guess
- Depending how interactive you want to make it or have time for;
 - Stop and start to allow for questions OR;
 - Play from start to finish

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

Further resources can be found on the Lifebuoy website to teach children more about handwashing and help them maintain good hand hygiene habits -

<https://www.lifebuoy.co.uk/soaper-heroes-for-schools.html>

A final note to say thank you for participating in Global Handwashing Day 2020.
We hope you and your pupils find the assembly video helpful!

