

Pinki, India

Pinki and Rajendra live in Sasaipura village in the Indian state of Uttar Pradesh.

They go to Premnega Primary School where children learn all about staying healthy.

Discover the different ways they tell others about good hygiene.

They have a toilet block with murals painted on the side and they also play games like mosquito tag!



Pinki washing her hands at school. →



↑ Rajendra in front of the mural.



↑ The girls and boys each have their own toilets

Q&A

Hello Pinki, how do we stop diseases from spreading?

“We learn that we need to wash our hands before eating food and after going to the toilet and after games and after cleaning the house and before serving meals. I have a latrine at home too.”

Rajendra, how do games help to explain healthy living?

“We play the game because the mosquitoes bring malaria. Waste water shouldn't go stagnant – it can be used on kitchen gardens instead. If we go to the toilet in open areas, diseases come so we use the latrines. I like school as we learn things.”



Mosquito tag is one of the games the children play to learn about good hygiene. ↑ One child is the 'mosquito' and the rest of the children have to run away from them as they try and catch them. Here Rajendra is the mosquito – he's the one with his hand on his nose and his arm out in front.



India

Just 33% of India's population has access to a toilet. That means 660 million people – ten times the whole population of the UK – don't have a loo.