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SUNFLOWER PRE AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

The school this month had wonderful activities that were done. And the following were the activities:

- Opening of the sensory room for special need children; This month we have opened a sensory room in our school also some training has been provided to all teachers, the aim of having this room is to help children with special needs as well as helping them to reach their maximum potential in learning by ensuring inclusive education to all children. We thank all the supporters for making this great thing in our school.



- Midterm examinations; This month also we have done midterm

examinations for closing school in which our children will have a vacation in two weeks, the examinations were conducted in three days from 21.08.2025 to 25.08.2025.

- School meeting (school baraza); Before closing the school, we had school baraza in which both pupils and teachers had time to discuss different matters related the sustainability of our school where by children got time to speak about what they see is good to them and how the school environment is supportive to them and how they help them in shaping their future. It was a very interesting discussion because teacher also get chance to advice the children about good morals around the school compound and when they are at home. Also how having acceptable moral values contribute to personal growth and development.

COMMUNITY EMPOERMENT PROJECT

Under the project there has been a lot that have happened in the month of August. The activities were very productive, vibrant and exiting to the project. The following are the activities;

SCOUT; Under scout works there were different works done this month including;

- Travel to Norway; Two youth travelled to Norway to attend the national scout camp; even though they did not succeed to be at the camp, they managed to meet the scout leaders in Norway, attend various trainings on leaderships, tenses and scout trainings. Also attended different camps in Norway where they took parts as scout leaders and assisted in various works regarding the scout works.
- Scout preliminary training course (PTC): there was a three-day camp held at IPVTC where 52 scouts from different parts of Iringa attended the training camp. During the camp the scouts learn different things like the leadership training, how to establish scout groups in the schools, making knots and uses of knots, preparation of camp fire, national flags and uses of flags. Also, the scouts had a great time to do hiking and community works around Ilula.

THE ANTI DRUG ABUSE CLUB; the club conducted trainings on the effects of drugs to people and the community, also the club established new clubs in the schools.

CHANGE CLUB; in this club Youth participate in various productive works outside Ilula and inside Ilula including the following works;

- Attending the Bwagamoyo Africultural festival where youth had a great opportunity to showcase their talents in dancing the traditional dances and modern dances. Also attended different workshops during the festival where they had great time

to learn about arts and cultural activities.

- Attending the graffiti training at IPVTC where during the training they managed to learn the positive uses of drawings in the walls and how they can convey messages through arts. After learning they practiced the drawings and made few drawings on the fencing wall at IPVTC.



- Arts day; during this day youth learn how to use different materials to create different things and make decorations. They made various decorations like bottles, flowers and mirror decorations. Also learn how to decorate stages.

KID'S CORNER PRECHOOL

The school has done a lot of great things this month, apart from teaching and learning issues. Various tasks have been carried out here at the school as follows;

- The construction of the two classrooms was finished on July. The construction of these two additional classrooms marks a significant milestone for Kids' Corner. With increased space and improved facilities, the school is now better positioned to attract more students, enhance the learning environment, and achieve long-term sustainability, the new classrooms are being

equipped with child-friendly furniture to ensure comfort and effective learning. While chairs have already been delivered and installed (100% complete), the production of tables is still in progress.

- Birthday celebration; in August 12 (7girls, 5boys) students at the school were celebrated for their birthday, cut cakes and sang the birthday songs. It was a great moment for the students to be celebrated.
- Closing school exams; the students had their terminal exams this month that started on 20th to 22nd August. Soon after the exams the students closed the school on 27th August for short break. The school will open on 15th September.
- Parents meeting; the school held the meeting with the students' parents where they discussed various issues concerning the students progress and school reports. The meeting was held on 22nd August.

CHALLENGE;

Need for a school van as many students are aged between 3 to 5 years and needs closer care since they come from different places and after school they all need to be sent back to their homes, the school van will be very important to help these small children travel safe from homes to school and back as traveling with motorbikes is very dangerous to the children, also the school needs play units to fully support the children's learning and development experience as the playground has one swing only that do not meet the capacity of the students.

SPONSOR PROGRAM OFFICE

The office has done tremendous job this month to the students that are supported

by the program. The following are the works that were done;

- The students have successfully registered with the National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF). So far, 195 students have begun accessing healthcare services through their NHIF health insurance cards. We are incredibly grateful to our generous donors whose support has made this initiative a success. This registration process will greatly reduce the challenges our students face in accessing medical care, allowing them to focus more fully on their studies.

The registration exercise is still ongoing for all students under 18 years of age, ensuring that every eligible student can benefit from this vital healthcare service.

- The office has been actively visiting schools attended by the sponsored students around Kilolo District to monitor their academic progress and overall well-being. So far, 19 schools within Kilolo District have been visited. During these visits, the office conducted inspections of various projects in some of the supported schools, particularly focusing on the progress of farm and food initiatives designed to benefit the students.
- Additionally, the office carried out assessments of children living in vulnerable conditions, including orphans, to explore potential opportunities for securing further sponsorship and support for these students.
- In terms of agricultural productivity, the grain harvest at Lugalo School was checked and reported to have 71 sacks of maize and 2 sacks of beans. Similarly, Igominyi School

recorded a harvest of 31 sacks of maize and 1 sack of beans. These findings provide valuable insights into the effectiveness of the ongoing projects and the needs of the students in these schools.

- Students' payments were done to the students in the schools also for health insurance cards. The total amount of 64,396,900/= was paid for all the students.

THE ISDP PROJECT

Under the project this month we conducted training on post-harvest, data collection on economic development and food security by using the farm force tool. Also, the training on community safety and gender-based violence was provided to the community. 350 people were reached during the training in the villages of Mawambala, Lulanzi, Lukani, Kipaduka, Lusinga, Ikuka, Lyasa, Mtandika and Lugalo.

IOP VEHICLE AND TRANSPORTATION PROJECT

The project has done various works including; shunting of sand 22 trips, blocks 17 trips, firewoods 1 trip and pebbles 1 trip. Also, there was cultivation done to 8 acres and slashing of grasses around IOP to 6 acres.

Lastly there was maintenance of Toyota Ipsum T144CYP and Landcruiser Prado T208AHE.

IOP BLOCK MACHINE

The project has produced 3519 blocks and sold 5665 blocks to different customers. Apart from this we cultivated

the gardens and planted various vegetables for using at Highway Café.

THE LORD'S HILL SECONDARY SCHOOL

This month we had many academic activities at school that aimed to assess students' understanding of classrooms and school promotion activities as follows;

- There were terminal exams for form one students and form three students before closing the school. The exams started on 20th to 26th August where after marking and arranging the results the school was closed on 28th August. We are expecting to open the school on 15th September this year after the students have had their short holiday.
- Regional Mock exams for form two students that started on 25th of August to 1st of September. The exams have a purpose of assessing the form two students' academic understandings before sitting for the national examinations later this year.
- School advertisements and marketing was done in different places for the aim of stimulating the student's enrollment in the school. First the Head of Department, Headmaster, IPVTC Administrator, and a photographer—attended the SHULE Excellence Fair in Dar es Salaam. This event brought together leading schools in Tanzania to showcase their



philosophy and approach to education, also marketing of the school was done in Morogor municipal council and Kilombero district.

The aim of marketing and advertisement is to target all the students that will complete standard seven in the different schools to come and join our secondary school.

CHALLENGES;

The school is currently lag behind in computer laboratory and computer applications, which limits competitiveness and readiness for a technology-driven future. We have few computers at the school currently that do not meet the capacity of the students at our school.

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