

Kapumpe Christian Primary School

They will soar on wings like eagles. Isaiah 40:31

Celebrating 2017

It is been a wonderful year at Kapupme and it has come to a close with a very busy final term. There have been school trips, sports day, parents meetings, we celebrated Independence Day and had a wonderful final assembly to close the year. Throughout the year pupils collect star awards for effort and achievement in all aspects of school life. There is a special buzz at the end of the year as there are awards for full attendance and 'greatest progress' in any aspect of school life. It has been wonderful to see how much the pupils have grown in confidence, knowledge and understanding this year. Each class clearly looked ready to move to the next Grade and the jubilation at finishing the year successfully was tangible.





Trips

Mr Zulu with the pupils who had made the greatest progress in 2017

With it being the final term of 2017 many teachers realised they had not taken their class on a trip outside of school. Grade 1 had visited the kitchens at the Bible College and Grade 4 had visited the carpenters workshop however there is a wealth of learning that can take place on a trip outside of the pupils' local community. Each trip begins with a discussion about conduct and safety; the pupils listen attentively and clearly remember all that was discussed while on the trip.

Going on a bus is the next thrilling experience. Although many have now experienced travelling on a bus, it has been only a few times in their life. The outbound journey is full of singing and delight as they spot interesting things through the window. When coming home the journey is entirely the opposite – no matter how old the pupils! They are exhausted, some sleep but all spring to life when we arrive back at school and each one has a different story to tell about what they learnt on the trip.

Grade 1 went on a trip to town where they walked past important buildings, monuments and a variety of shops. They demonstrated their knowledge of signs and road safety and experienced travelling on an escalator for the first time.

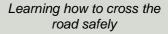
Grade 3 had a very different experience, they went to Tusha Farm Ponds and identified examples of erosion they had been learning about in class. The highlight of the trip was clearly making boats out of natural materials and testing them on the water.

Grade 4 had a very informative tour of Levi Mwanawasa Stadium. The pupils were constantly asking questions about the grass, the seats, measurements and timings. They loved visiting the presidential suit and now would like a trip to see a football game being played there.

Pre-school

Miss Josephine has been a fantastic pre-school teacher and her lessons always sound so much fun. The preschoolers love to recite songs and phrases learnt in class during break time and at home. This term they have been learning about road safety and what life is like in the village. They all enjoy sharing their learning with anyone who wants to join them or see what they are doing. Miss Josephine helps with recording pupils who have achieved stars each day and pre-school pupils love the responsibility of coming to the office at the end of the day to ask for the star book and explain how they achieved their star for the day.







Choosing reading as a favorite activity

Grade 1

It has been a busy term for Grade 1. As most of the curriculum was already covered, Miss Chongo has been recapping the areas where the pupils were struggling. They have been learning about the town, signs, travel, money and social customs. One area they have focused on this term is reading. Grade 1 love hearing stories as well as joining in. Many parents have commented about impressed they have been with the pupils reading abilities.

Grade 2

As this term comes to a close, Grade 2 are eager to be moving up. They have become independent learners. Miss Kangoma has been a wonderful teacher, identifying and addressing individual pupils who have been struggling. Grade 2 have enjoyed learning new topics including being carpenters and going shopping. After teaching Grade 2 for the past three years, Miss Kangoma is looking forward to the challenge of teaching a different grade next year.



Receiving awards for 100% attendance



Designing and making their own Christmas cards

Grade 3

Term 3 has been very different for Grade 3. Mrs Mwinga returned from maternity leave and a new teacher joined our staff in Grade 3, Miss Ngoma. This has meant that the class has benefited from two teachers and thus more one-to-one teaching has been possible. At the beginning of the year we had some very challenging characters in Grade 3 however they have made such progress in their behavior and attention that this class is a delight to teach with pupils hungry for knowledge and challenge. We have some fantastic artists in this class who relish the opportunity to use and

hone their creative talent. Hopefully we can give them more opportunity to do this next year.

Grade 4

This has been a fantastic term for Grade 4! We have witnessed so much progress from the pupils. Not only has Mrs Maliphonde noticed improvement in their academic work but the effort, confidence and enthusiasm of the pupils has been a delight. Grade 4 are consistently a good example to the rest of the school; they help teachers and younger pupils, they clean and tidy all parts of the school regardless of who made the mess, they report on time for school and participate in school life with energy and their best effort. When we think back to last year and how shy some of these pupils were and how some were greatly struggling, it brings such joy to see what a difference a year can make and how Kapumpe has helped so many.



Tidying and singing at break

Parental support

At the end of term our parent committee invited all parents to a meeting to hear about the vision of the school, plans for next year and to have an opportunity to ask questions. We were happy to have around 30 parents although we would have loved to see many more. They enjoyed a tour of the school with the head teacher and were impressed with what their children are doing and achieving here. We hope to work more closely with our parents as they begin to see the importance of providing a good spiritual and educational foundation for their children.



Parents on a tour of the school

Ready for 2018

We are all greatly looking forward to 2018! The year ahead will be exciting and challenging for Kapumpe. We will have our first Grade 5 class, new buildings will be constructed, new children will begin, new opportunities await both staff and pupils and we will see God's goodness in ways never expected. We hope you are also excited to be sharing the development of Kapumpe with us. If you feel you would like to be part of our journey here in Zambia, please get in touch via the e-mail below. We love to welcome visitors!



The pupils of 2017 with their surprise Christmas gifts; ready to go on holiday and return next year for more fun and learning, challenges and achievements.

Prayer Points

- 1. Pray for wisdom as we move ahead with the construction of classroom block 3 and safety of all working on the site.
- 2. Thank God for the time of refreshment during the holidays and for the support of staff and parents as we begin a new year.
- 3. Pray for all the pupils; that they will soon settle into new classes, remember what they learned last year and continue to progress in all aspects of life.
- Praise the Lord for His presence at Kapumpe, His peace, joy and love, pray for God to continue to touch lives and be glorified in all we do in 2018.

School will re-open on 15th January 2018 for the beginning of a new academic year. The Arise Orphan Project continues to run all year round.

Thank you for reading our update on the work at Kapumpe. If you have any questions or would like to further support us in any way, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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