

Kapumpe Christian Primary School

Equipping pupils and staff with excellent education and discipleship for life-long learning.



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



A tyre rolling competition at break time



Our new multipurpose large tyres

New Term New Tyres

There is no better way to start a new year, term or season than by marking it with something new. For us at Kapumpe we had a set of 5 brightly coloured tyres ready for exploration and play. They definitely brought an extra measure of excitement to the school with pupils wanting to be the first ones to sit on them... or in them. At the end of playtime I think the tyres were very tired! They were rolled, jumped on and turned over, stacked up, sat on, spun, used as targets and even made into goal posts. It is wonderful that children can enjoy playing safely when they come to school.

Teachers also had fun exploring how they could use them to help lessons become more active and engaging eg: using them when counting, saying timestables or using them to mark out a path for a journey. This term we have been particularly focusing on being active in lessons to ensure all children are fully engaged and can understand and remember what is being taught. We have all learnt a lot and are looking forward to learning even more in term 2.

Activity Week Term 1

One of the most anticipated weeks of the term for the teachers and pupils, is Activity Week. Mid way through the term we have a week of practical activities and many pupils mix with children from other classes to develop social skills as well. The higher grades were focusing on different science experiments and practical investigations. Children enjoyed learning about how water pumps work as well as what to use to make a good water filter.

In one of the classes, pupils were discovering the properties of 3D shapes, then learning how to make them using clay before using them as construction blocks. Their creativity was fantastic! They managed to use the shapes to make houses and other buildings as well as dogs, elephants and vehicles.

A favourite activity was making pancakes. The children knew about most of the ingredients and had used them before in cooking, but not to make pancakes. Having learned how to make them, many were eager to go home and try to teach their parents. Activity Week always brings fresh energy to the pupils and staff as they have so much fun and seem to forget they are learning at school.





Pre-school

For most of the children in this class of 25, this term has been their first experience of a school and a classroom. Despite some of them being only 4 years old, they have quickly learned routines such as where to put their bags and shoes, how to sit on the carpet and what to say when the teacher holds up certain letters or numbers. All the pupils have loved learning new songs and listening to different stories this term, and we know that their enthusiasm for learning will help them to do well this year. We are excited to see each one of their characters develop.



Learning how to hold a pencil and sit at a desk

Grade 1



Listening to their teacher tell a story in the library

You would not know from walking into the Grade 1 classroom that these pupils were in pre-school last year. They listen attentively and are confident to attempt to answer questions. They are also just beginning to read three letter words by themselves. This term they have been learning about themselves and different homes. You could see the joy on their faces when they understood what is being talked about because they recognized it from their home or it was a part of their body. It was like their world was beginning to make sense and as a result their confidence in speaking English has significantly improved this term.

Grade 2

'Jobs' was the first topic of the year for this class. Discovering there are more options than being a doctor or policeman surprised all of them! What a privilege it is to help these children not only discover more about the world, but also that God has got something amazing planned for their future, far beyond what they can even imagine. Their second topic was 'Newsroom' and, as you can imagine, they loved the idea of being a reporter or cameraman! Hopefully we have helped these pupils to be excited about learning more each day and inspired them to share their knowledge with friends and family.



Playing with a parachute is a very good reason for coming to school



*PARTY!
Food, games, balloons, music...
Best school day ever!*

Grade 3

Who wouldn't want to come to school if you were having parties and learning about celebrations in practical ways? As you can imagine there has not been a problem with attendance in Grade 3 this term. Even when pupils were not well they wanted to come to school and not miss out on any of the fun and learning that their friends were doing. At the end of the term they had the opportunity to host a party for their parents with games, music, food and much more. It was fantastic to see the effort they put into it and the delight of their parents at seeing what their children were capable of.

Grade 4

There is definitely a change when you get to grade 4 and begin writing in pen. Suddenly the pupils feel they are not little anymore and they need to be concentrating and working harder at school. This class has been keen to try their best but they were thinking more of themselves than each other and thus not achieving their best. Through their topics, 'Games' and 'Healthy, Happy and Whole', they have begun to work more as a team, support one another and help each member of the class to work towards their potential. It has been wonderful to see them both laughing and learning together.



Discovering how light travels with a practical investigation.



Grade 5

We have a very creative grade 5 class this year. One of their new favourite activities is using the magnetic letters and they have discovered that by turning letters around, they can pretend they are other letters such as 'M' looking like 'E', thus being able to make many more words. We are very proud of their ingenuity and eagerness to learn. Their recent topic was 'Growth and Change' and they are certainly witnessing that first hand. They are at a stage where they want to grow and be the big pupils that others look up to. Hopefully they will continue to develop into fantastic role models.



Using magnetic letters to solve problems by making words and sentences



Solving puzzles is our new favourite activity – even when it's home time

Grade 6

Teamwork is the name of the game in Grade 6. They love working together and supporting one another. Even when the lessons are challenging and they make mistakes, they are ready and willing to share ideas and support one another. Sometimes it has even been a challenge to usher them home at the end of the day. How wonderful to have a class that want to stay and learn – a teacher's dream! During next term the Grade 6 teacher will be taking maternity leave and she will be missed greatly by the pupils but they will continue to do their best, eager to impress her when she returns.

Grade 7

It has been a fantastic start to the year for our eldest pupils. They have come into a room filled with vibrant displays to help them remember all that they have been learning through primary school. They have come to school focused for their exams this year and also to prepare for secondary school. After a few weeks of school they were superb role models with nearly all the class receiving certificates in assembly for effort and achievement. They are all keen to improve and do their best which brings such joy to the class.



Presenting the story of Zacchaeus in assembly – yes he's up the tree!

Prayer Points

1. Thank God for a smooth start to the new year with all the teachers in post and a more regular pattern for the power cuts each day. Please pray that the money needed for solar power can be raised this year.
2. Praise the Lord for His continued hand of blessing and provision that has sustained and encouraged us.
3. Please pray for all our teachers as they navigate the new curriculum that is being implemented from 2025.
4. Please pray the pupils will continue to love learning and attend well during the coming cold season.

School will open on Monday 12th May 2025 for term 2. Term will end on Friday 8th August.

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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