

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*

Visitors = Fun!

All of us would agree that when people come to visit us and things are a bit different it feels very special and somewhere there is fun to be had.

It had been quite a few months since there had been any visitors at Kapumpe so when the staff and pupils found out visitors were coming they were very excited. The team were from a YWAM Discipleship Training Course and led by Tim and Gemma Mills who founded Kapumpe in 2014. It was very special for them to visit and see the development that has taken place over the years. They also wanted to be very much involved in the school to teach the pupils, inspire the teachers and bless the project.

The team were busy with a mixture of activities and loved getting involved. If you would like to visit us and spend time supporting the wonderful Kapumpe staff and pupils on their learning journey please e-mail us. **We would love to see you!**



YWAM visitors painting our new security wall, teaching pupils how to listen well and listen to God and leading morning devotion

**Praise the Lord for all the growth and development at Kapumpe over the past 10 years.
Thank you for your encouragement, prayers and support.
Please join with us on our journey of learning and adventure through the next 10 years.**

Class of 2023

You can see from the photo that these pupils are no longer primary school children but teenagers ready and raring for high school. They spent many hours during the weeks after their exams preparing their entrance into the graduation hall. In Zambia, this is a very elaborate event and a special moment in the life of the graduates and their family members attending. The pupils also prepared a poem which they performed with great confidence and everyone shared something they had learned while at Kapumpe, these included: reading English, respecting adults, speaking English, being kind, solving maths, how to be a Christian, sharing and many more. It was wonderful to hear how their learning went far beyond the curriculum and their time here has impacted all aspects of their life. Our hope and prayer is that they continue learning and teaching others every day of their lives.



Grade 7 after the 4th graduation ceremony at Kapumpe Christian Primary School



Pre-school

Term 3 has been very orderly in Pre-school. You will often see the pupils lined up outside the room, in rows sitting on the mat, walking in a line to assembly, even their shoes have been lined up against the wall outside. When Mr Chola has not been in the room, school captains have found it easy to give the pre-schoolers instructions as they have become very good at obeying school rule #1: 'We listen and follow instructions.'

They have become animal experts this term, not only knowing the names of animals but also where they live and how they move. Their final topic was all about being on the road where they learned about road safety as well as what and who uses roads.



Mia and her friends making houses and roads on the mat



Patricia threading fuzzy balls on wool to make a stethoscope

Grade 1

The caption to the picture gives you a clue what Grade 1 have been learning about this term... hospitals. The pupils brought many personal experiences to the lessons as they had all been to see a doctor or nurse at some point. It was wonderful to see the pupils contributing ideas from their own lives and feeling like they understood what the lessons were about. Hopefully they will share their new knowledge with their friends in the community who don't go to school or understand the reasons why we do things like wash our hands to help us stay healthy. Mrs Kawele did a wonderful job of setting up a role play area where the pupils could pretend to be medical staff or patients, I think many of them would like to work in a hospital when they are older.

Grade 2

Wow! Huge progress has taken place in Grade 2. Not only has their reading improved as you read about last term but their independent writing is really developing. Both the practice of writing and the confidence to write what is in their head has improved this term. The progress in writing is largely due to the phonics programme we teach each day. When asked to write about food we get from animals it was lovely to see them enthusiastically write 'soseje' – sausage. A favourite food for many of them. Keep up the hard work Grade 2, you will be even more amazing next year!



Elijah was very proud of the foods he had written about and the transport he had drawn

Grade 3

This has been the best term for Grade 3. Perhaps because they are feeling more grown up now. Where there were some pupils who were easily distracted or causing problems in lessons, everyone seems to have taken more control of their behaviour and developed a more positive attitude towards learning. We have seen more pupils getting star certificates for following school rules and at the end of term they won the Manor Ted prize (a teddy bear the class keep for a week) for 'Class of the Week'. They have really enjoyed the topic all about their life recently and discovering more about their own families as well as themselves.



Preparing for their performance in the Independence Day assembly

Grade 4

This class continued to build on the success of last term and Miss Sichimwi has once again seen great progress and maturity from her pupils. Where there was once a concern about sending some pupils to the next grade, she now feels confident that they will all be able to manage. Some of the Grade 4 pupils joined the class this year with almost no English and now they are confident to both read and write basic English. This class have really come to love books this term, even guessing what will happen next, they are very excited for harder books next year.



Concentrating hard during end of term tests



Grade 5

It has been a hard working term for Grade 5 as they are aware that there is only one more year before they are the exam class. There has been a lot more independent work and more information to memorize but they have taken up the challenge well and you can see from the amount of notes in their books that they really want to learn. It was Mr Sebente's last term with us and he has done a good job at helping the pupils to prepare for next year. We hope that he and the pupils continue to put their best effort into all they do and see the rewards that follow. Grade 5 have definitely been trying to master school rule #4 'We always try our best!'



Library time – free choice reading on the soft mats ☺



Learning the skill and craft of bottle decorating

Grade 6

This class has grown quite a lot in size this term as we have had seven new pupils join. It was a fairly small class and some pupils had moved away so there was space for new pupils. The class has been so supportive of the new members and when you walk in now, you cannot tell who only joined a few months ago. They have all really enjoyed the practical lessons this term, making buildings, decorating bottles and all the while learning how to repurpose discarded items. You can now see a number of budding entrepreneurs with ideas of how to make money in the Christmas holidays.

Grade 7

What a wonderful end of term, year and primary school the Grade 7's have had. They were super focused in September and October, staying after school twice a week for booster sessions where they were learning exam techniques and going through past papers (having chicken for lunch was also good motivation). They all said they found the exams easy so the hard work paid off. In the final weeks they had a trip to a honey farm and fish farm which helped them to begin thinking about business ideas for the future and how to apply classroom skills to the world of work. They have also been learning about the transition to high school for which they now feel prepared. Well done Grade 7!



Look at the tomatoes we have grown for our break time snack!

Prayer Points

1. Praise the Lord for sustaining us all through this year. Please pray for everyone to return with energy and excitement in January.
2. Please pray for our new pupils and staff joining us in 2024, that they will settle quickly and feel like they belong at Kapumpe.
3. Thank God for providing all the finances needed throughout the year. Please pray for wisdom as we seek to raise funds for next year.
4. Praise the Lord for the Mufulira road being repaired, pray for everyone's safety using the road and around the big vehicles.

School will re-open on Monday 8th January 2024 for term 1. Term will end on Friday 5th April.

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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