

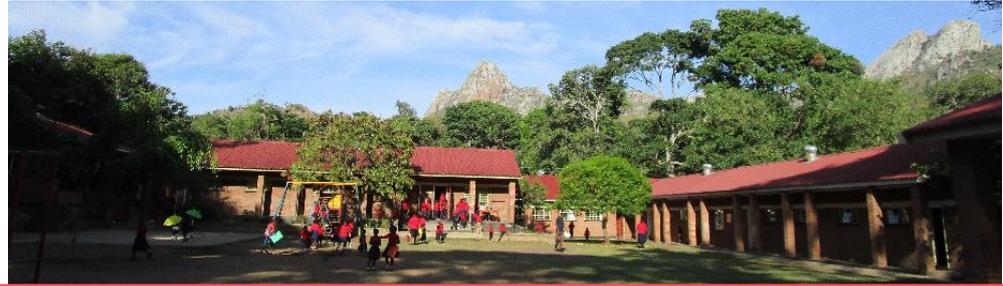


EBENEZER INSTITUTE OF LEARNING

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Term 2

Newsletter



Sponsored Dictionaries

Having sponsored a big number of dictionaries, the Tyler-Downing family from Petersburg has been a huge help for our children. The dictionaries are used in the classrooms as well as in the library. The Dictionaries are helping the 3rd Graders up to 7th Graders to look up new vocabulary, which is helping them to learn and understand the English language better. It is a big advantage for their studies and we hope it will improve their comprehension.



End of Term 2 Examinations

At the end of every term, Grades 3 through 7 write their exams. Everyone was very excited, especially the kids themselves. They had worked so hard over the last term and were ready to write the exams. Desks were spread apart, so that the kids wouldn't try to copy the answers. The atmosphere was very concentrated and quiet. Teachers were invigilating their learners, that if they had questions they found difficult to understand, their teachers were there to answer them. After the kids have finished writing the exams, teachers were working hard on marking them.



Inspiring Change in Wongani

He is a boy aged 11 and in Grade 5. He is staying far away in Kamphata (12km from school). It has taken him almost 5 years for his attitude to change. The improvement on his attitude and behavior has been a slow grind at times over the past years, but this year is like the first green shoots of spring for him. Everyone including his friends at school can witness a change in Wongani. His uncontrollable temper, that he used to pose, can now be controlled. Whenever he is very upset about something, he first of all calms himself down and thereafter reports to the teacher of what has happened. Though it has been a slippery slope for him in terms of performance in class, he has justifiably managed to show that he is capable of achieving more than what he's managed to achieve last term. When asked about Wongani, his class teacher said, "Wongani is more ambitious now, than he was over the past years. I was even surprised to hear him tell me that he was going to make a drum for class, which he eventually did and that makes me proud as his teacher." His attitude towards teachers and his fellow learners is supreme and fantastic, and he's turned out to be exemplary among his fellow students. However, his performance in class has to improve in other areas and he is showing willingness to do so, I'm ready to help him achieve his best". Wongani's change in behavior didn't just come out of the blue, it has been gradual starting from the time he was in Grade 1 and it's now that we can see the final product. Let's get together and pray that he continues to be a good boy and that he gets to be a soldier, as he wishes to be in future.



Painting the World Map

People always have ideas to start things but invariably postpone due to procrastination. The energy that Anna and Sophia have when it comes to implementing things is so inspiring and it's something that all teachers including learners have learnt from these two. One spectacular thing that these girls have given to Ebenezer with their extraordinary talent of drawing is an amazing world map. This will help the learners to locate various countries around the world. Ebenezer is very thankful to these two for their persistent hard work.



Making clay toys

Another fun project at school during Expressive Arts teaching, was the making of clay toys. The children were very creative and used local materials including clay and grass. It is very important for them to understand their environment better and to learn how to work with it, since it is part of their everyday life. The learners had lots of fun trying to make their toys look the prettiest, while still admiring the work of their fellow students.



COMING UP:

- Chrissie, our principle, will be going to North Caroline, USA. This will be a great opportunity to tell others about our school, and get new sponsors on board
- In May, the Grade 7 will be writing their final Examinations. This is very important to them, since it will decide whether they are able to go to Secondary School or not. The whole school is fevering with them as well as praying for them.

As we look towards third term of 2017/2018 school year, please spread the word about Ebenezer for new sponsors and partners.

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