# **Kapumpe Christian Primary School**

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





Egg sandwiches

# **Holistic Learning**

What a wonderful term 2 it has been here at Kapumpe! All the pupils and staff have enjoyed teaching and learning about the body, transport, jobs, numbers, weather, food, communication and many other topics. Classrooms are becoming full of work on walls and pupils are competing to be star pupil by the end of the day. During the mid-term break for Pre-school we held our 2<sup>nd</sup> activity week. It was a huge success! Teachers decided what skill they felt they could pass on to the pupils and by mixing the children, many social skills were developed as well.







I've learnt how to knit!



I like being with the older pupils



## Inspection

Now that Kapumpe is a fully registered school we are becoming known in and around the community. We are also known to the department of Education in Ndola and thus have been expecting an inspection for some time. In July they came to visit the four schools in Kaniki. We ensured all our records were in order and encouraged the staff to continue as normal. We are aware that Kapumpe is different to most community schools, however, these are the guidelines we are following. It was an answer to prayer that the inspectors approved of our teaching methods, praised the learning environments and were impressed with our behavior management system. They left after giving us targets to work on to ensure that we are in line with government standards, but were very happy with the opportunities and care we are providing for children in Kaniki.



Miss Mwansa and Mrs Maliphonde

#### **New Arrivals**

We had two new teachers join us at the beginning of term 2. Miss Mwansa came to cover Mrs Mwinga's maternity leave in Grade 3. We have been so impressed with her teaching and dedication to the school that we have decided to keep her on staff. We are hoping to use her swimming teaching skills in term 3. This term, Mrs Maliphonde joined us to take on teaching Grade 4. Although the class consists of a wide spectrum of ages and abilities, she has taken a day at a time and embraced our learner centered approach to teaching. The class have helped her to settle in and she is enjoying being part of Kapumpe.

## Pre-school

Our preschoolers continue to love coming to school. They begin each morning singing with gusto about the days of the week, letters of the alphabet and praise to God. Many of the pupils are able to count to 20 and attempt to write the letters in their name. Miss Josephine encourages them all, to actively take part in lessons and enjoys thinking up creative ideas of things to make and do. Mr Zulu has recently been very proud of their assembly performance on their daily routines, 'They sung like kids but it was beautiful, no one was off key, their timing and confidence was brilliant'. He is a very proud head teacher.



Pre-school love parachute games



## Grade 1

During term 2, the pupils have made models of sources of light, created patterns by weaving and improved greatly in their numeracy and literacy skills. Miss Chongo has brought Grade 1 on a long way! She is currently studying for her teaching qualification and loves trying new ideas with the children.

Learning how to weave with sticks and wool

#### Grade 2

Miss Kangoma's class has grown physically, academically, socially and spiritually. They love to take part in acting out Bible stories in assembly and often can be seen helping the younger pupils at breakfast and break time. This term they have been thinking a lot about what they would like to do when they are older and it is such a delight to hear their ambitions of becoming doctors, nurses, police officers, chefs, pilots, reporters and of course... teachers!



Reciting a poem – showing how bus drivers beep horns



Pumping the ball so they can play their best

# Grade 3

This term Grade 3 have had a new teacher as Mrs Mwinga went on maternity leave. They soon settled and have risen to the challenges Miss Mwansa has set. Pupils in Grade 3 have become focused learners, taking great pride in their work. Many of them have been to see Mr Zulu this term having filled their exercise books with neat writing and super drawings. They are also providing good competition for the Grade 4's at break time in various activities.

#### Grade 4

It has been a great term for Grade 4. They have had a consistent teacher who has loved them just as they have loved her. The topics of 'Wild Weather' and 'Communication' have inspired some interesting discussions and creative work. Both the teacher and pupils have learnt a lot this term and most notably, the pupils who have been struggling academically have begun to make great progress in their numeracy and literacy. Praise the Lord!

Grade 4 have also been given the responsibility of scone selling this term. Two pupils buy them from the Bible College in the morning then sell them at break time. This has created the opportunity for them to apply skills they have learnt in the classroom to daily life... and they love it!



Scone selling

#### What lies ahead?



The words of a well know hymn seem very appropriate for Kapumpe as we look to term 3 and 2018: 'I do not know what lies ahead, the way I cannot see; Yet one stands near to be my guide, He'll show the way to me.'

We know that in the coming months we need to secure contractors for building block 3, begin building block 3 and construct a gate to improve security. At the moment we are trusting God to provide the remainder of the finances needed for these projects and the committed, honest personnel to do them.

Alongside our building project we are continuing to build links in the community. Many local people now know about Kapumpe and are showing an interest in either sending their children here or in working here themselves. During term 3 we be receiving applications for 2018 and reviewing staff positions. We are excited to see the school growing and having a positive impact in Kaniki. We are trusting God to continue to open doors for us that we might bring the light of Christ to those we work with as Kapumpe continues to grow and develop.



The playground space soon to become our building site for classroom block 3

# **Prayer Points**

- 1. Praise the Lord for His faithfulness! We have been aware of God's guidance in difficult situations and His presence with us, strengthening us through term 2.
- 2. Thank God for the support and encouragement from parents, many of whom were concerned about changes at the beginning of the year.
- 3. Prayer for all those we partner with, parents, supporters, government officials; for unity, understanding and more of God's love.
- 4. Continue to pray for pupils who have improved greatly in behavior, attendance, and academic progress this year.

School will re-open on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017 for Term 3. 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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