

KIHOTO BAHARINI ECD CENTRE

2022 NEWS LETTER FIRST EDITION



LOCATED ALONG NAIVASHA MAAI- MAHIU ROAD, KIHOTO VILLAGE NEAR THE KIHOTO COMMUNITY PLAYGROUND NAIVASHA SUB-COUNTY, NAKURU COUNTY- KENYA.



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“SHULE YA CHEKECHEA YA BAHARINI KIHOTO NAIVASHA, WANAFUNZI HAWALIPI KARO”

MY MESSAGE

My names are Dansonking Wanyoike.

I am grateful for the opportunity of serving in the Kihoto Baharini ECD as a managing director.

I appreciate the role I was given by the Kenyan Committee with the blessings of the German committee, first as a volunteer on matters of Finance, budgeting and payments in 2019, later as a school managing director.

Throughout the 3 years I served we have had very meaningful engagements and experiences. I have learnt alot and also shared my experiences with the both committees.

Fast forward to the end of year 2021, the committees decided to have a management role. The person who will be the liason person between School, the Community, the Staff and the government. They head hunted me and the position was agreed upon after a rigorous process and extensive interview. This year 2022. I began implementing the role and streamlining some school procedures.

For the past 5 months my success has been:-

1. Increment of Staff salaries after more than 10 years of the same amount. (Though it is still well below the pay scale)
2. Repairs and Maintenance enhancements of the school assets & structures
3. Regularization of the school papers & certification.
4. Monthly reporting of the financial statements.
5. Weekly Meetings through zoom with the committee.
6. Engagements with our suppliers.
7. Monthly meetings with the school staff.
8. Visibility of the School project.

With this few remarks. I know we have a long way to go in terms of putting the school to the highest pedestal. I challenge our donators, friends of Kihoto Baharini ECD and everybody involved that we are the ones to change the education landscape of Kihoto, through assistance of Basic education to the most vulnerable members of our community.

Am grateful to:-

- Kenyan Committee
- German committee
- Sari Mannele
- Claudia
- Uwe & everybody who truly supports this noble project.

Asanteni sana & God bless you



KIHOTO BAHARINI PRE-SCHOOL

The school started in June 1995 after the retirement of the founder Mrs. Phyllis Gachie. It had approximately 30 kids. They had 4 teachers Phyllis Gachie, Jane Kagia, Joyce Muriithi and Jane Nyambura. The school had a day care, baby class, middle class and pre-unit.

In 2006 the school relocated to the current ground with a total No. of 150 kids. They had four classes; Baby class, Middle class and two pre-unit classes.

In 2007 the current teachers joined teacher Phyllis Gachie, Florah Wangui, Ann Njeri, Susan Wambui later Sarah Wanjiku joined the school.

The school was fully sponsored in the year 2009 by the German committee and this facilitated the children to have an Education, lunch and porridge for free.

In 2012 the German Committee sponsored Susan Wambui and Sarah Wanjiku to college to train as early childhood teachers.

In 2020 during the COVID 19, we introduced the food packages and later the lunch programme until the school re-opened in January 2021

SUCCESS STORY

The school has been able to educate so many needy kids in Kihoto since inception. Through the school feeding programme the kids have been able to attend school with an assurance of a meal per day. The school has been able to cater and educate about 2000 plus learners for basic pre-primary education since inception.

The committee has facilitated a smooth transition from pre-primary to primary school.

The year 2020 when Covid-19 pandemic hit our nation of Kenya most of the local businesses were closed, people were retrenched and schools were also closed. Kihoto Baharini E.C.D Kids Started coming to the school compound to beg for food or anything to eat since most of the families could not afford a daily meal.

The necessitated the committee to start a school feeding programme in partnership with other stakeholders of which the kids were assured a meal a day. The programme run for about 6 months.

The school participated in our 1st National music festival at Masinde Muliro University in 2017.

In 2018 we also participated in the 2nd National music festival at Dedan Kimathi University. We have been doing well in our co-curriculum activities since then.

OPPORTUNITIES

In our new Kenyan system of education which means 2 years pre-primary which is playgroup 1 and 2, 6 years in primary which is grade 1 to 6 then junior high school which is grade 7,8,9 & 10 and finally post high school.

We can be able to enroll more PP1 and PP2 learners.

We have 75 kids and 3 trained teachers.

In our new system 2:6:6:3 we have two PP1 and one PP2 Classes. Through funding we can increase number of learners.

The school can hold upto 160 kids according to the certificate of compliance that we hold.

If given an opportunity we can be able to expand and have grade 1,2 & 3 at the school compound.

THREATS

If the school closes today due to lack of funding, majority of Kihoto Children will discontinue with their education. This will lead to the kids becoming hopeless and a menace to the society.

Special thanks to the German and the Kenyan committee for the smooth running of the school.

Special thanks to Claudia (German), Sari Manninen (Finlands) for the continued support of the school programme.

MANAGEMENT OF THE SCHOOL

1994 — Proprietor Phyllis (Deceased)

2009— Fully Sponsored by the German & Kenyan committee

GERMAN COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1. Sven Michael Cords
2. Alberto Lombardo
3. Ralf Walgenbach
4. Regine Steinmaus
5. Uwe Gogolin
6. Martin Wittersheim

KENYAN COMMITTEE

Ken Gachie (Deceased 2022)

1. Sarah Gachie
2. Faith Gachie
3. Faith Thiong'o
4. Jane Gachie
5. Danson King

*2019 – Volunteer basis – Danson King Wanyoike
German/Kenyan committee*

*2022 – 1st Jan the committee engaged a school management administration role
to Dansonking Wanyoike*

THE CURRENT STRUCTURE

Kenyan & German committee



Management Role



Headteacher



Teachers



Subordinate staffs

Meetings are held via zoom with the committee

SPECIAL THANKS TO

Founder – Mrs Phyllis Gachie (Deceased)

Kenyan committee

Friends & partners

KIHOTO BAHARINI E.C.D SCHOOL – NAIVASHA

MUSIC FESTIVAL JOURNEY 2022

Our team participated at the county level on 27th August 2022 after a direct entry from the sub county office. The school entries were around 284 in all categories and in our categories 60 competitors.

The category we participated in:

1. African Singing game total kids 24 (Kihoto Baharini)
2. Western Singing game total kids 24 (Kihoto Baharini)

We got 1st position with 83% African singing game, and 2nd position with 84% western singing game. This was after competing with the above mentioned Schools.

First forward to the regionals, all school entries were 600 in all categories and in our category 84 competitors.

We proceeded to the Rift Valley Regional festivals on 10th September and got 1st position with 84% African singing game. For the western Singing game we got position 3 with 83%. and therefore we could not proceed to the National for that category.

This gave us a ticket to the National Music Festivals at Kisumu County. Unfortunately we did not have a budget for the National Level but due to the determination, zeal and Faith, we approached several well-wishers and they responded positively. We collected a total of Kshs. 67,000 (sixty seven thousand only) which facilitated the Trainers/teachers and the Learners to travel, have accommodation and meals for the 2 days in Kisumu.

Our journey to Kisumu started on Friday 16th September 2022, we arrived at 1pm at Kisumu Girls High School. We were taken around the venue by the officials and in the evening we went to our accommodation village. We participated on 17th and our team got 4th position countrywide.

Kisumu was difficult to know all the entrants since it was for the whole country which was graced by Kisumu governor Anyang Nyongo.

The kids were extremely happy to participate with other National schools. We were able to have an exposure and put our School to the highest Pedestal despite all odds and also put Nakuru County on the Map.

It's our hope that come next year we will have full support from our sponsors.

Hongera to our great team!

By Danson K.W

School Management

KENYA MUSIC FESTIVAL PORTFOLIO



COUNTY MUSIC FESTIVALS WE EMERGE TO BE NUMBER 1



NAKURU COUNTY REGIONAL MUSIC FESTIVALS WE EMERGE TO BE NUMBER 1



COUNTY MUSIC FESTIVALS WE EMERGE TO BE NUMBER 1



NATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVALS WE EMERGE TO BE NUMBER 4 NATIONAL WIDE



COUNTY MUSIC FESTIVALS AT KISUMU



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KENYA MUSIC FESTIVAL PORTFOLIO

KENYA MUSIC FESTIVAL RIFT VALLEY REGION ADJUDICATION REPORT

DATE: 10/09/2022

NAME: Baharini ECDE CLASS: 202 G LEVEL: REGIONAL

WORK PRESENTED: African Sounding Games

Kilenge Singing Game

- Good introduction
- Good choice of the entry song
- Need to repeat the song pattern frequently to let the children absorb chanting in stage
- Good costumes
- Need to get more props to assist our direction of the song
- Create more song with action and movement
- Good choice of soloist but need to have more soloist to encourage other children to take leadership roles
- Good involvement of the performers
- Fair attempt

MARKS: 54% POSITION: 1st

1: _____ 2: _____

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10/09/2022

KENYA MUSIC FESTIVAL ADJUDICATORS REPORT SHEET

RIFT VALLEY

Class No. 802 G Entry No. 3 Name: Baharini ECDE

Work presented: Good choice of African style
Sounding Games for Musicians School

- Co-ordinate the singing, let the children internalise the songs before introduction of the movements/play activities
- Good and creatively improvised props
- Costumes quite representative of the chosen ideas
- Good awareness of tempo variations
- A creative exit
- Good presentation

85%

1st

Date: 17/9/2022 Signature: [Signature] [Signature]
Adjudicators

Competitors in the Kenya Music Festival are not rivals but comrades pacing one another on the road to perfection





School Name and Address before renovation



Teaching Staffs rooms



Shade



Water Tank near staff rooms



Dinning Hall



Water Tanks Next to Kitchen



Play Ground



Water Tank Behind Dinning hall



MOUREEN AUMA - PREPARING CABBAGES FOR LUNCH



BENARDETTE NJERI - PREPARING UGALI FOR LUNCH



JOYCE WAMBUI SUPPLYING PORRIDGE





PP1 CLASS WITH TR. FLORENCE



PP1 CLASS WITH TR. SUSAN



PP2 CLASS WITH TR. ANN



BREAK TIME

FORMER LEARNERS OF BAHARINI ECDE SCHOOL AT LAKEVIEW PRIMARY SCHOOL





PP2—2021 doing their exams



Tr. Florence Class doing their exams



PP2 girls with new uniform from Sari Manninen and Claudia



Some kids with their new uniforms (bought by Claudia and Sari)



Singing game group 2018



Tr. Susan's Class doing their exams



During Lunch Time



During Music Festivals



Trip day at Thompson Falls



During Music festivals



Games times at Kihoto Playgrounds



Games time at Kihoto Playgrounds



During Environmental Day and Tree Planting Exercise



During musical festivals Tournaments

Class Decors



Repair of Playground and Kids Equipment

Some Shoes donations from Friends



Pictures of Parents and learners receiving food packs and clothes distribution



Pictures of Parents and learners receiving food packs and clothes distribution



Christmas Food Packets



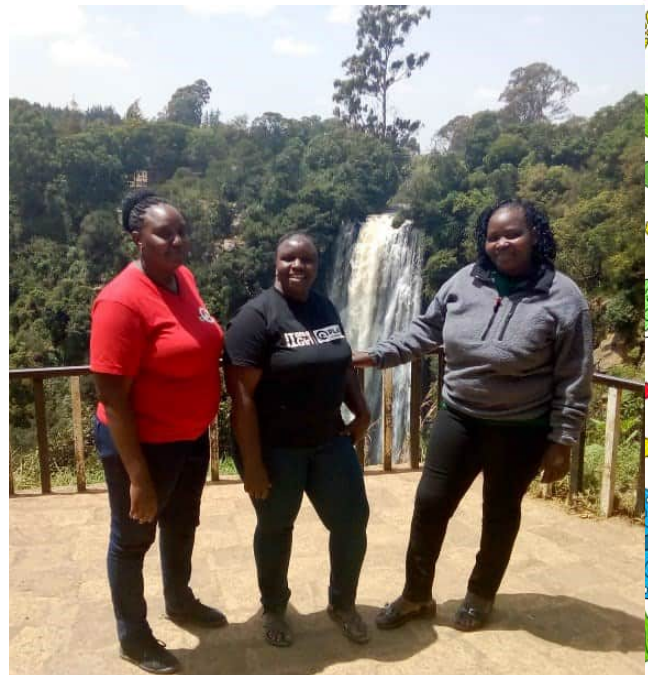
Happy Learners posing for a picture with their new Uniforms



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Teaching Staff during a school Trip





During Music Festivals



Our School Name and Addresses before renovation



After Renovation