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Charlotte and Louis win the election

Key dates for this half term.

THURSDAY, 21ST SEPTEMBER: Piranhas depart for weekend gala at Isamilo, Mwanza.

FRIDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER: Primary prefects trip to Mikumi.

SATURDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER: Team triathlon. (Rescheduled from last Saturday)

SUNDAY, 1ST OCTOBER: International Music Day.

SATURDAY, 7TH OCTOBER: Dragonaires trip for boarders.

THURSDAY, 12TH OCTOBER: Sports Day.

FRIDAY, 13TH OCTOBER: Sports Day assembly.

Miss Beer's cycling marathon

Our former Head of Key Stage 2, Miss Kylie Beer is currently on a 3000 km cycle tour of Tanzania to raise funds for The Amani Centre in Morogoro. If you wish to donate to the effort please follow the link: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/tanzaniacyclesafari>

This a fantastic idea and typical of Miss Beer who always put her heart and soul into everything she did. And when she finishes in a few weeks time, she plans to come and talk to us all about her tour in an MIS assembly.

Housepoints Scoreboard

VICTORIA	242 points
KILIMANJARO	177 points
ULUGURU	135 points
RUAHA	98 points

Year 11 tell share their Experiences of Work

In Thursday's Secondary School assembly the Year 11 students who had their work experience week in June told us about what they gained from their 5 days of work and how their school experiences helped them to adapt to the working world including the need to show INTEGRITY, RESPECT & RESPONSIBILITY. Thank you for a reflective assembly, a great little video of working at EMFERD and also for how well you conducted yourselves at the various work placements. We received some very good reports!

At MIS we are constantly striving to build the self-confidence and public speaking skills of our students as these will be essential in adult life. With this in mind, the process of applying to become Headboy and Headgirl of Primary School was made much more rigorous this year with all the candidates required to close their election campaign with an address to the Primary School assembly on Friday with an audience that included several parents as well as pupils and teachers. Only year 6 pupils could put themselves forward and in total there were 14 candidates; 4 for Headgirl and 10 for Headboy. **Charlotte Sanford** set the standard with the opening speech which was well thought out including a poem and presented with confidence and humour. 13 more speeches followed of varying lengths and styles. Second from the end came **Louis Germain** who gave a fairly short but dynamic delivery that clearly caught the attention of the audience as it earned him the Headboy post by some distance. Meanwhile Charlotte had indeed set a standard that no one else could match as she was elected Headgirl. The campaign posters and speeches were almost entirely the work of the candidates themselves and the whole of Primary School had spent the week learning what

democracy means and how important it is to take the opportunity to vote. The ballot took place directly after Friday's assembly with all the children and teachers of Primary School eligible to vote. We should all stand up and congratulate the 14 children who showed the courage to put themselves forward for election. Apart from Charlotte and Louis they were:

Emmanuel, William, Ahmed, Mahrukh, Felix, Samson, George, Brian, Wasif, Zainab, Rahma and Eunike.

In the Secondary School assembly on Thursday the 16 House Captains were presented with their badges following their elections the week before:

KEY STAGE 3

Ruaha: **Nick & Lydia.**

Kilimanjaro: **Silas & Hellen.**

Victoria: **Pius & Lissa.**

Uluguru: **Ethan & Judy.**

KEY STAGE 4/5

Ruaha: **Vanessa & Rahim.**

Kilimanjaro: **Tunji & Nia.**

Victoria: **Anna & Farid.**

Uluguru: **Colin & Selina.**

Thank you to TLTC

As was mentioned at the AGM on Saturday evening, the introduction of Cambridge Checkpoint exams in Primary School should be the beginning of a raising of standards and consistency of teaching of the core subjects that will eventually lead to better results throughout



MIS Primary School children are delighted with the huge delivery of books donated by TLTC

MIS. Last year we started the implementation of Checkpoints late and did not have the resources in place. We were so grateful this year to Tanzania Leaf Tobacco Company Ltd (TLTC) for donating TSh10 million/= for the purchase of Primary School books aimed mainly at the Cambridge Primary Curriculum.

MIS Star Reader Challenge

Our new Head of English, Miss Williams, is introducing a reading challenge to enhance focus and concentration, expand imagination and advance our problem solving skills. Reading books makes us smarter and that is a scientific fact! English language skills are a problem for a significant minority of our children. Let's try and make all MIS students English experts! With regular visits to the library and 20 minutes of reading every night, this is achievable. Each week every child can select a task from the 50 options given in the Star

Reader Challenge list. These can be handed in Monday morning before vertical tutoring. Each book completed and each task completed is worth a star. The first person to complete 20 books and 20 tasks before World Book Day on 1st March, 2018 will be awarded 20 extra stars. Bonus stars are also available for teaching a teacher a new word or for donating a book in good condition to the school library. Thank you to Miss Williams for this fabulous idea. All part of our drive to raise English standards throughout the school.

School uniforms

Last week we thought all our uniform problems were over when a huge delivery of polo shirts arrived only to find there had been an error with the school badges on them and we had to return them. As Mr Street stressed in the Secondary School assembly, that does not give students an excuse to be scruffy. Please wear smart, plain shirts to school if you do not have the official school shirt.

...And finally... Well done to Aariz, top of the best behaviors in Key stage 3 with 47 level ones this term.