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## MIS's resolution voted one of the best at EAMUN

Key dates for the rest of term:

THIS WEEK: AS/A Level mock exams.

SUNDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH: MIS biathlon.

SATURDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH: Camping weekend for Years 11 and 13

FRIDAY, 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH: Headboy and Headgirl elections in secondary school.

SATURDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH: International Day & MIS World Cup. Swimming Nationals at HOPAC.

WEDNESDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH: Whole school assembly.

THURSDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH: Parent teacher consultations. End of Term 2.

### Housepoints Scoreboard

VICTORIA	5519 points
RUAHA	4496 points
KILIMANJARO	4422 points
ULUGURU	3735 points

### Piranhas do well at Taliss

MIS Piranhas finished 4th out of 12 in the Taliss swimming competition at IST over the half term holiday. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Sanford and Miss Mgeni for looking after our swimmers throughout the 2 days (23rd and 24th February).

The Piranhas squad was as follows: Joseph Sumari, Nick Walter, Ian Lukaza, Dennis Mhini, Yuki Omori, Vanessa Dickson, Elizabeth Joshua, Annet Makuri, Taher Vejlani, Judy Walter, Charlotte Sanford, William Chengula, Eunike Mathayo, Rahma Kassim, George Coleman, Lance Mshindo, Sarita Maeda, Angel Makuri, Shakir Ibrahim, Cuthbert Mwalongo, Andre George Fasha, Gianni Alimanya, Emmanuel Saliboko, William Hamisi, Hape Coleman, Princess Simba and William Sanford. Dennis was the outstanding performer with 6 gold & 2 silver medals making him overall 15/16 boys winner. Joseph won 1 gold, 6 silver & 1 bronze and was 1st runner-up for the 17 & over category. Yuki came home with 2 gold & 4 silver and was 3rd runner up for year 13/14 boys. Lance won 4 silver & 1 bronze to be named 2nd runner up for 8 & under boys. Other medal winners were: Charlotte 2 silver & 2 bronze, Eunike 3 silver and Nick Walter with 1 bronze. MIS broke 2 national records: **Dennis** won the 15/16 year olds 100m freestyle in 56.42 seconds and **Charlotte** won the 11 year olds 400m freestyle in 5 min 48.37 seconds. All other MIS swimmers achieved personal bests in at least one race.

During the half-term holiday, eight students from MIS, Allie Scar-amuzzo, Anna Mhina, Patricia Kwayu, Junior Chile, Miriam Dixon, Aisha Muhinda, Epi Assenga & Selina Somji attended the East African Model United Nations conference. Thousands students, representing hundreds of countries from schools across East Africa gathered at the UN offices in Nairobi to discuss, debate and vote on resolutions submitted into four different committees. The standard was very high, as was the debating, but all resolutions from our school passed with ease (with one being voted among the best) showing the quality of the hard-work of all those involved. Well done MIS EAMUN - we're very proud of all our delegates.

Here is how one of our delegates, Anna describes the experience:

*The EAMUN conference was a refreshing experience for all. It was extraordinary to be amongst so many individuals that are just as passionate and knowledgeable about real life issues as ourselves.*

*Both resolutions from each country we represented, Sao Tome & Principe and South Sudan, passed proving that our hard work as a team was worth the effort. The South Sudan resolution on female genital mutilation was so pow-*



*erful and flawless it was voted one of the best resolutions in the human rights committee. Some of us managed to get up to the podium and speak not only for our own resolutions but other people's as well. Taking and asking questions sounds simple but it's very nerve-racking in front of 400+ people getting us to completely come out of our comfort zone. Every morning we received an inspirational speech from a guest speaker to motivate our creative minds into making a*

*change. "Nilikuja, niliona, nilitenda, "translating to "I came, I saw, I acted" was the theme of the conference this year. It is also the mindset we have taken with us from this phenomenal opportunity.*

This was only our second appearance at the EAMUN and, already MIS has gained a reputation as one of the outstanding schools in the region in its meticulous preparation, confidence and general conduct. A big thank you must go to Miss Williams and Mr Carlin who spent hours helping our students to write and present their resolutions. Mr Carlin and Mr Otswisa then provided great support throughout the event in Nairobi.

### Another busy Saturday at MIS

With Canon Andrea Mwaka School unable to come for the planned sports weekend due to transport problems, you could have been forgiven for expecting a dull weekend for the MIS boarders. Far from it. Instead Mr Gibbins set up a FIFA competition in the ICT lab and then led a team of staff and girls to take on the Falcons at basketball which they lost 98-62. Then he joined Mr Street and some 6th form students for a social get together at Mambo Club. Such amazing dedication from our Head of Boarding. Thank you Mr Gibbins.

## MIS celebrates "100 days smarter" and World Book Day in the same week

Monday, 26th February was the day we all returned after the half term holiday. It also marked our hundredth day in school since the academic year began way back last August. Primary School celebrated by collecting, drawing or painting one hundred items and then one hundred primary school children went to the main field to create a human version of one hundred.



Thursday was World Book Day and we were fortunate to have as a very special guest, the Tanzanian author, Nahida Esmail. She gave some writing workshops to various classes through the day and then presented an assembly to the whole school in the afternoon when she told us about how she became an author and gave tips on becoming a writer. The assembly closed with a parade of all those children who had beaten the bad weather of the morning to come in their book character costumes. Those with the best cos-

tumes were presented with prizes in Friday's Primary School assembly. They were: **Eliana, Lara, Riley, Otavina, Avneet, Elia, William S, Maryam, Insiyah & Maria**

Thank you to Miss Branagan for making it such a great World Book Day for MIS, despite the rain!

**...And finally...** AS and A level mock exams start today in the hall and last all week. Please show respect to our 6th form students by maintaining silence in that area.