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A muddy conclusion to a rainy week

The exam season has started:

Last week the IGCSE ICT practicals took place on Tuesday and Thursday. There were severe problems with the software in the second exam and it ended up lasting nearly 5 hours! On Wednesday, the IGCSE French orals were conducted. This week the programme is as follows:

Today, tomorrow and Wednesday: Year 6 Checkpoint exams in the hall during morning hours.

Today and tomorrow: IGCSE art exam in the art room all day.

Wednesday between break and lunch: IGCSE ESL oral exams.

Housepoints scoreboard

VICTORIA	6566 points
RUAHA	5227 points
KILIMANJARO	5008 points
ULUGURU	4218 points

Coming up this half term:

Thursday, 26th April: Union Day Public Holiday. Piranhas depart for Isamilo swimming gala in Mwanza.

Friday, 27th April, 2018: Last day of lessons for Years 11, 12, 13. (Year 12 return on 14th June).

Friday, 27th to Sunday, 29th April: Exeat weekend (except exam students).

Monday, 30th April: Piranhas return from Mwanza.

Tuesday, 1st May: Workers' Day Public holiday. CIE examinations begin.

Saturday, 5th May: Ng'aa basketball tournament.

Saturday, 12th May: Non-exam boarders to Highlands.

Tuesday, 15th to Friday, 18th May: Outdoor School.

Monday, 21st to Friday, 25th May: HALF TERM.

All week MIS talked about the environment as we built up to World Earth Day yesterday. There were special assemblies in Secondary School and Primary School talking about the dangers we face ahead if we do not look after our planet. Students came to school in non-uniform every day to raise money for all the great eco-projects going on in our school at the moment and to also help us think about a particular aspect of our environment each day; black for air pollution, grey for anti-poaching, green for our trees and vegetation and blue for the oceans. Whether it is due to global warming or not, there was a lot of water pouring out of the skies throughout last week. It created masses of mud around the campus and on Friday, after the final lesson of the week, three of our 'favourite' teachers sat on chairs, and a substantial amount of that mud was poured over their heads creating a rather primitive spectacle. And how the assembled crowd loved it! Fittingly it was our Environmental Coordinator, Miss Angelo who had organised the whole week who had the biggest mud shower as Miss Branagan and Miss Talley emptied a huge bowl of the brown stuff over her head. Mr Street, voted second, was treated to a bucketful while Mr Otwsa got off quite lightly

with just a cupful. Thank you also to Mrs Singh and Mr Germain who had put their names forward but didn't collect as much money as the other three teachers to qualify for the public humiliation. Parents, teachers and pupils had been able to vote all week for who they wanted to be 'mudded' by placing money in the jar of their nominated teacher in the reception area.



Environmental Coordinator, Miss Angelo, takes a mud bath in aid of Environmental Awareness Week

Altogether Environmental Awareness Week raised TSh1,247,000/= meaning that, through various events this year, the school has raised close to 3 million/= towards improving our environment and preparing us to become an Eco-School. Apart from the reduction in litter, our campus had another

makeover on Friday when the Primary School assembly was rounded off with the children from nursery to Year 7 planting the 395 plants that they had brought in during the week; plus one plant from Year 8! In the assembly, Year 2 shared with us a poem that they had been learning and showed us how to properly grow and care for plants. Thank you to Miss Irene who went ahead to organise the children of Year 2 in the absence of Mr Carlin who was down with malaria. Year 2 also won the Eco-Bulletin Board competition. Meanwhile Year 6 will have a pizza party for bringing in the most plants throughout the week.

3-legged football

Partly due to the severe rain, but also because of a lack of bikes, the first MIS triathlon was postponed this weekend. To keep the boarders entertained, there was a three-legged football competition on Saturday afternoon instead and for an hour or so 28 boarders tested their communication and teamwork skills in a mini tournament that saw Ian George's team beat Sam's team on goal difference. Mustafa's team came third.

Sports round-up

On the last Tuesday of term before the Easter break, the staff football team took to the field against a students team. The staff team made up of a mixture of teachers and Bico workers and one parent won 3-0 with 2 Bico staff, Seth and Shabani on the scoresheet along with the only parent representative, Mbaraka. Just after Easter on the first Wednesday back, Mr Brown who was visiting from the UK organised a staff team to play his former tutor group, now year 10, assisted by some other year groups including Emmanuel in Year 6. The staff team were once again victorious with Mbaraka scoring twice and Seth scoring once in reply to Yuki's goal for the students. Final score 3-1. Last Friday the Falcons

were back in action as they went to play basketball against the Muslim University and came away with an impressive 63-30 victory. Please note the change of date for the N'gaa basketball competition. It is now on Saturday, 5th May with exeat weekend being on this coming weekend.

Sports & and Educational Tour Champion Rise Ltd are organising a sports and educational tour for students aged 9 to 19 years old to Budapest and Kaposvar in Hungary from 2nd to 15th July, 2018. The main aim is to take part in the International Youth sports Festival, International School Science Fair and visit historical sites and the art gallery of 17th-19th Century. The cost of

this educational, cultural and sporting trip is \$2,800 to cover flights, visas, insurance and accommodation. If you are interested, please contact +255766551445 or email info@championrise.co.tz This is not a Morogoro International School trip and we take no responsibility for any of our students who participate. However, several of our students have taken part in trips organised by this company in the past.

...And finally... Welcome to our new physics teacher, Mr Kisake and welcome back to our Primary School teaching assistant, Fadila following the birth of her son, Calvin.