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"Rescue a Child – Rescue a Community"



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FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

December is upon us at such a quick rate, all children are home for a 2 months break from school. Always a fun but noisy and busy time in the home.

I finally found a Christmas tree that didn't cost a fortune, and so they children are excited to have it



up already. Presents will go under the tree Christmas eve as a surprise for all the children.

We built a gazebo while they were in school, so we now have a nice area for dining and also sitting and talking at

night as well as doing any homework or beadwork they need to do.



The school system is changing here so children are finishing primary school in class 6 along with other children under the old system who have also done final exams in Class 8. So come January it will be a very busy and frustrating time as no one is sure where the Class 6 children will continue to study.

I personally, would like to thank all those who have supported KINI over the last 12 months and helped make such a difference to this community and children. To those who were able to visit and see first-hand how KINI impacts the lives of not only the children but their families and their outlook for the future, we loved having you and thank you for all your support and "goodies" you were able to bring to help the school and the children.

As we wind up another year I wish you all blessings at this Christmas season. and for the new year may you be enriched in all aspects of your life — and please plan a trip to see this amazing country

and wildlife and the beautiful children. (Drop me a line I can organise everything for you)

MARA KINI ACADEMY (KMA)

KINI Mara Academy is the "go to" school here at the Mara and we already have one stream full for kindergarten for 2023 and another stream filling fast. While this is great to see parents wanting the best in education for their children, it means we need to be building more classrooms and very quickly!

KINI decided to go ahead in faith and start the foundations for the new 3 classrooms which are needed by 20 January next year. A huge thank you to some special friends of KINI who have generously supported the building work, we are well underway. To complete the classrooms and paint and buy needed furnishings and solar, as well as 4 large water tanks to ensure enough water supply for the school, we need a further \$15,000. We have faith that this will be finished in time for the new school year.









A lot of workers and manual work goes into building here

Thank you again for those who believe in what we are achieving with these children. So many parents say "thank you" as they see huge changes in their children's behaviour and their knowledge.

Again we celebrated the children graduating from PP2 (upper KIndy) and who will now go on to Grade 1. It was a great day with parents and visitors enjoying seeing their children showcase what they have been learning throughout the year, as well as dances/songs from different cultures.

Many parents comment they don't know what the children are saying (when they speak in English) but they are very happy to hear them reading and speaking.



Our PP2 Class and Madam Mary their teacher for 2021-2022







Thanks to a local camp who made a special cake for the children



Please remember we are able to offer tax deductible receipts from both Australia and USA. Please email me for links.

KINI Mara Talent Academy

With our new Head Teacher on board, KINI Mara Academy has developed a Talent Academy to run over the holidays for the local children aged between 7 and 13 years.

This has been well received with 40 children registered so far, and more coming each day.

The boys are playing soccer and the girls handball and volleyball.

They will be spending time in the "classroom" where they learn sportsmanship, rules of the game, techniques, discipline, good behaviour on and off the field, etc.

A donor has donated uniforms for the boys and girls so they are very excited to wear them. Also through some special friends we have been able to purchase soccer boots for the children.

This Talent Academy will also be run in the KINI Mara Academy during the school year and will expand to include chess, scrabble and other sports.



Barbara with the presenters and coaches







SPONSORSHIP OF CHILDREN

THANK YOU to all those who helped us clear school fees for this year. Thanks to your generosity we were finally able to clear all fees for children for 2022.

For those who are sponsoring children, the fees for 2023 will rise as we go back to our normal school year. For those in Secondary they also have added different fees such as Tuition and they also need three reams of paper per year. Fees for 2023 for **Secondary** are **A\$700.**

Primary schools should remain the same as per this year.

If all fees could be paid by **15 January 2023** it would be a great help in ensuring we have paid the school prior to the children returning.

If you have not chosen a child to support and help give a hope for the future, please inbox Barbara and we can send you a list of the children who still require sponsorship.

Please remember our children this Christmas as they are all growing very fast and always needing new clothes and especially underwear. And we have 2 new girls joining us this last week.

Merry Christmas and God's blessings for 2023 from all the KMN Mara Home of Hope Children

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If you would like to be part of this exciting work please set up a regular donation directly into the KINI bank account (details below) or through RAWCS (www.kinikenya.com) if you would like a tax deductible receipt.

Bank: ANZ, Nambucca Heads Name: Barbara Parkins BSB/Account: 012754/204398639

Thank you for sharing in our dream.

"To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world:"