



## Dear Parents and friends of Sakeji,

Greetings from Sakeji. It is a lovely morning, with birds singing sweetly outside the office.

### Lots to be thankful for

We can certainly "praise God from Whom all blessings flow", for His goodness to us here at Sakeji.

- ◆ The children have been very healthy this year, with fewer cases of malaria or serious illness than in previous years.
- ◆ Three young people and one young couple, who have dedicated their time, and given valuable input into the lives of the Sakeji students:
  - Miss Leah Rudge, has been with us for another term. She has been a great help in many areas of the school.
  - Miss Angelina Sarlo, a good friend of Miss Leah Patola, has been a wonderful help in the grade one and two classroom, swimming lessons and elsewhere.
  - Mr. & Mrs. Coziahr and their daughter Denalyn, (Mr. Ronald's sister) have been such a help, coaching students that needed extra help, teaching computers and Bible lessons, and helping to repair some of the computers in the school.
- ◆ A number of major projects are being completed this term, and we thank the Lord for safety and His help throughout.
  - ◇ New report cards—have been introduced this term, generated on the computer rather than written by hand.
  - ◇ An upgrade of the web page for Sakeji, plus the addition of the headmaster's Blog.
  - ◇ The diving tower—giving us a six foot and nine foot diving platform. There is a special type of thrill diving off the highest one for the first time!
  - ◇ The water wheel—originally built in the early 1930's is refurbished, and ready for the new alternator, to charge the batteries and supplement the solar panels.

### Spiritual life

We thank the Lord that Alan & Sheila Park have been able to come for our second Spiritual Emphasis week. Pray with us that this will be the start of an awakening for students and lead them into the enjoyment of eternal life found in the Lord Jesus.

### Lessons and Fun

- Both half terms have been pleasant days at the pool and in the river. With lots of rain, the river has been just right for tubing!
- The piano recital was a special time of listening to how well the students have practised and their skill as pianists.
- Several plays have been performed by the students, and enjoyed by the rest of the school! It was exciting to see Goliath slain by little David!

### Thankful

We can thank the Lord that:

- The new students this year have settled in so well. The disciplined life at Sakeji is such a contrast, but we rejoice to see how happy the children are here at school, and how much they are learning day by day.
- Each member of staff has known the Lord's help and strength this term. We give thanks to Him for this.

We trust and pray that you will have a wonderful time with your family this term break, and look forward to seeing the children again on May 15<sup>th</sup>!

May the Lord richly bless you all.

Yours sincerely, *Paul Poidevin*

# Sakeji Bush

## A WILD & WOOLY BIRTHDAY BASH!

Last night was Birthday Party. The theme was Wild West. It was really fun and funny. I liked the grade five's and six's song. They acted as well as sang. Miss Avery dressed up like a prairie dog. Miss Rudge and Tamara were robbers. I had so much fun! We had wild meat burgers! We also had chips and cake and ice-cream. It was yummy, yummy, yummy! Miss Patola was a farm girl. I liked the show called "Never Leave Your Dog Outside Sitting On A Cactus". I liked birthday party a lot.

~ Natalia Reed, Grade 3



Above: Some smiley swimmers at the pool!

## THE BIG WESTERN PARTY

On Birthday Party, the theme was about The Wild West. We had so much fun that we could not stop laughing! We had cakes and Puku burgers. We had crackers with toys and sweets in them. I had fun watching the shows. ~ Milembo Lukama, Grade 3

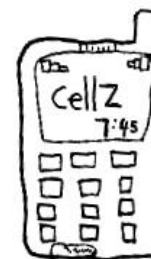
## BIRTHDAY PARTY POEM

Birthday party, birthday party.  
Fun, food and plays so hearty.  
Song, plays and costumes funny.  
Food and cakes so very yummy.

Birthday party, birthday party.  
There were Indians, ladies and prairie dogs.  
And a song of an Indian lake.  
Plays were as good as the food and the cake.

Birthday party, birthday party.  
Oh so much fun!  
~Mbingila Kamwana, Grade 5

Grade 3&4 learned about communication this term. Cell phones have also come to Ikelenge! This cell phone was drawn by Lemekani Soko, Grade 4



## THE PARTY'S ON!

Booming with excitement!  
In-coming plays.  
Radio music.  
Tinkling cutlery.  
Harmonic choirs.  
Doggies on the loose.  
Authentic costumes.  
Y'all ready to party?

Puku burgers.  
Amazing tales.  
Rushing with tables.  
Time for bed.  
Yawning everywhere.  
The party ended.  
~Womba Mufundi, Grade 8

## SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS WEEK

During Spiritual Emphasis Week, we were on a desert island. We were also learning about Philipians 3:8. Mr. Park was Captain Book and Mrs. Park was Mrs. Castaway. We were reading about Paul going to Damascus. He kept pressing on. He did not give up but kept on. Yesterday the seniors did a skit about pirates. The pirates needed a pardon from the King's Son. We too need a pardon from Jesus for our sins.  
~Maiinga Mweetwa, Grade 4

In story we were reading a book with Mrs. Park called "I Dare". It was about Amy Carmichael and how she became a Christian. She became a missionary in India. Then she started to get children, and lived with them all her life because their parents never wanted them. ~Priscilla Mwale, Grade 4

### CAUGHT BY THE SEA

This book was written by Rosemary Keating  
It begins like this: Rose and her friend went out to sea. When she was swept out to sea, she was brave even when the waves were high! Once she saw a helicopter flying over the sea. The next day she saw a ferry boat so she got out her diving knife and held it up. It was getting dark so she blew up an inflatable part of her wet suit and floated on her back and kicked her legs. My favorite part of the book is when she gets to shore.  
~Caleb Ronald, Grade 4



Above: This is from Spiritual Emphasis Week. Some of us up at the front holding golden coins from Mrs. Castaway's treasure chest. On the coins are part of our memory verse for the week: Philipians 3:8 "...and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord..."

### RAIN

Splish Splash, Splish Splash, there goes the rain.  
Splish Splash, Splish Splash, and there it goes again.  
Like a water bird,  
Landing on my nose. Splish Splash, Splish Splash,  
Like a water hose.

We've been waiting for this long-wanted rain,  
And now our food and crops we'll gain.  
So wet and so sweet,  
The rain drops fall. There's nothing so dear,  
Like the rain at all!

~Mukuka Puta, Grade 5

### GRATEFULNESS

For **G**od's goodness and my **g**randparents thankful I am,  
For **r**ain and **R**ally and a swim in the dam,  
For **a**nimals and **a**bility God has given me,  
For **t**eachers and **t**ime and our morning **t**ea,  
For **e**very day and the fun I can have,  
For **f**ood, **f**amily and **f**riends,  
For **u**seful things and eggs from the hens,  
For **l**oving family and friends and a **l**etter,  
For **n**ews and **n**ovels and my warm sweater,  
For **e**verything I am given,  
For **s**wimming pool, **s**inging and **S**akeji and just to know I'm livin'  
For **s**ong and **s**chool, for these things I thank the Lord.  
~Joanna Mast, Grade 7

### SECRET PAL SHARING DAY

Today I found out who my secret pal was. I had a clue who it was because of her handwriting when she wrote notes to me. I was correct! it was Tamira! She did several things for me. She saved a broom for me when we were doing clean-up, wrote me notes, made sure I had a nice day and she did other things for me that I never even noticed.  
The secret pal I was doing things for was Chilombu. She never had any clue who it possibly could be! I helped her on tables, made her net, saved a bath for her, wrote notes to her and saved a seat for her at video.  
~Grace Kamwana, Grade 7

Left: Miss Rudge and Mr. Ronald doing a funny experiment.

## A HAPPY TIME AT HILLWOOD FARM AND ORPHANAGE

At the farm we saw the cows being milked. We saw the horse and sheep and the goat. We had fun but it was stinky. I loved the horse the best! ~Yowano Kamwana, Grade 2

We went to the farm. We saw horses and pigs, but the best thing was milking the cows! I petted a horse!  
~Shoshanna Ronald, Grade 2

We went to Mr. Fisher's office. We saw some piglets and where they stay it stinks! We also saw the geese. They were eating and off they went playing. We petted the horse and Sonny showed us the things that go on their back. We saw the men milking the cows. They put some soft cream on their udders. We also saw the giant pigs lying down to rest after they'd eaten. We saw the pigeons flying up and down. We saw big dogs. We went to the orphanage. We saw the children. We sang a song for them and they sang a song to us. We had more fun than we do at school. One little boy liked Lemekani and Maiinga. ~Nissi Kaumba, Grade 4

### A HILLWOOD ACROSTIC

**H**ills! Down hills and up hills.  
**I**'m exhausted!  
**L**eaning over the wall, I saw the piglets.  
**L**ittle and small they were.  
**W**riting a poem, I watched the milking.  
**O**ver to the horses we went, stroking them and petting them.  
**O**rphans we saw at the orphanage, smiling and happy.  
**D**ogs we saw, furry and fluffy.

Fun we had, what fun!  
**A** group of geese were walking around.  
**R**ams were grazing in the pasture.  
**M**uch thanks to Mr. Fisher.  
~Ben Ferguson, Grade 4



Holding a piggy at Hillwood Farm

## AN INTERVIEW WITH MISS ANGELINA SARLO



Above: Miss Sarlo with some of us kids! Below Left: Hang on tight!

Chisha Kapumpa, Grade 8, conducted this little interview. Miss Sarlo has been with us for the term, and we are going to miss her.

Where from—Winnipeg, Manitoba  
Favorite food—perogies  
Favorite colour—red  
Favorite pastime—reading and scrap booking  
Favorite verse—Philippians 3:10  
Favorite subject in school—math  
Favorite sport—floor hockey  
Favorite desert—chocolate cheese cake  
Favorite thing about being at Sakeji—half term, the weather, birthday party cakes, playing, cuddles and hugs