

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

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Dear Sakeji Parents and Friends,

Greetings to you from Sakeji Mission School. I trust that this finds you well. As we come to the end of the second term, we are so thankful for the Lord's greatness and for the Lord's goodness. The last character quality we have been studying as a school was the character quality of *GRATEFULNESS*. One of the "I wills" says, "I will count my benefits, not my burdens." There are some Scripture verses that fit with this that I hope you will enjoy...

*Blessed be the Lord, Who daily loads us with **benefits**,
the God of our Salvation. Psalm 68:19*

*Bless the Lord O my soul, and forget not all His **benefits**. Psalm 103:2
What shall I render to the Lord for all His **benefits**? Psalm 116:12*

To those of you with children at Sakeji, thank you for sending your children to Sakeji Mission School. It is a real privilege to work with them and have the opportunity to impact them academically, socially, and most important, spiritually. I'm sure that you will see improvement in many areas and when you do, praise the Lord!

We continue to be thankful for volunteers who have come to help us. We have had two young people here this term. Miss Laura Payne has come from Canada. She has been helping with the junior classes and supervising after-school activities. Mr. Michael Bilodeau, also from Canada, came partway through the term and has been taking some senior PE classes, computer classes, and helping out with Rally and games' times. Others were here for the first part of the term. Mr. and Mrs. McDougall are a retired teacher and nurse from Canada. They plan to return to Sakeji for third term at least. We also expect Mr. and Mrs. Poidevin back again.

We take a moment to note that there are a few students leaving Sakeji. They will be moving on to different schools in and out of the country. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson are also leaving at the end of term. We will miss them. They have made many positive contributions to the work here over the last six years. We pray that the Lord will bless and keep each leaver, and they will not forget the many good things they have learned here at Sakeji.

Praying that the Lord will bless and keep you where you are.

On behalf of us all,

Mark Ronald



Above: Sports Day Fun!

SPORTS DAY!

I like Sports Day because there are many activities such as high-jump, javelin, and shot-put. I also like sports day because of the events we get to do. Also because of the food we get to eat, and because of preparation for track and field events. ~ *Chileleko Sibayumba, Gr. 5*

We have been practicing for Sports Day in three different ways. We stretch, then we do some running exercises. There is also throwing practice. I like it quite a lot. ~ *Caleb Ronald, Gr. 6*

SAKEJI BUSH TALK

I like hula hooping and running and skipping and egg races and dressing

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up! That's what I like doing.
~ *Nkisu Mhamba, Gr. 1*

THE ANTEATER'S NOSE

Once upon a time there lived anteaters. One was a boy and one was a mother and father and also a little sister. One day Bob didn't like his nose. "I think I'll change my nose." He tried and tried and tried. Suddenly, he said, "I will change my nose into an owl's nose. At last he said, "No, I won't change my nose! I like it how God made it!"
~ *Mwitwa Chenga, Gr. 2*

Yesterday was Sports Day and it was very, very nice! I got six ribbons!...The seniors went for javelin. They threw a black thing. It was like a spear, but it was not a spear. It had a red string around it and a gray thing at the sharp part, but it was not really sharp as in sharp. It was medium.
~ *Broddy Muteb, Gr. 2*

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My best was egg races. I like Sports Day. It was very very very fun! ~ *Kirrilee Reed, Gr. 2*



SMELLY TALE

Every time someone mentions onion rings, I get extremely hungry. I always remember the time I had them with ribs and steak. I can smell their oiliness, the fried steak, and the delicious saucy ribs. It's like they're right in front of me. I can never wait to have them again. I'm so thankful I'm able to smell and eat!

~ Womba Musumali, Gr. 8



Above: lots of smiles from birthday party, river and dorm times.

BIRTHDAY PARTY ESSAY

Birthday party was nice because there was colorful artwork, nice songs, and Hawaiian fish. I really liked the songs. One reason birthday party was nice was because the artwork was nice. We made oranges, fish, shells, and a few leis. The best were the shells. They were really interesting and had lots of details.

Secondly, birthday party was nice because we sang Hawaiian songs which were about surfing, fruit and the beach. My grade sang a song about surfing called "Surfin' USA". Thirdly, birthday party was enjoyable because there were nice looking fish hanging from the ceiling boards. Other people did them but they were different colors, shapes and sizes.

In summary, birthday party was fun because there was beautiful art, enjoyable songs, and colorful fish hanging from the ceiling. I really had a good time.~ Penjani Zulu, Gr. 5



HALF TERM ESSAY

Half term was fun. Some things that made it fun were the food, sweets, and activities. I wish it could last for a longer time.

Half term was fun because of the food. We ate hamburgers which really tasted good. We also had potato salads which were yummy. The macaroni salad was also delicious. Secondly, it was fun because of the sweets. We had lollipops which were really tasty. There were also toffee sweets which were nice and sweet. Pumpkins were also there and were really delicious.

Thirdly, it was fun because of the activities. We swam and the water felt cold. Playing football against the boys was also fun. Going on the go-cart was wonderful!

In conclusion, half term was fun because of the food, sweets, and many activities. I wish we could have it more often! ~ Priscilla Mwale, Gr. 6

COLOUR THOUGHTS BY GRADE THREE AND FOUR

Black is sweet licorice.
Black is a swift night.

~Joshua Phiri

Orange is the colour of Halloween with pumpkins being cooked in a pot.

Orange is when the leaves fall off the trees

in Autumn.

~Matthew Woodfield

Yellow is a happy colour. It is the colour of kindness.

~Julius Musumali

Purple is the morning sky that blooms so bright in the sunshine's light.

~Joshua Kaluwasha



Above: The senior girls Rally group wearing the floral head wreaths that they made this term.

KNIGHTS

Known to serve kings.

Needed helpers to put on all their armour. In for many of challenges.

Great warriors.

Had to be dubbed "sir" to be a knight.

Trained for fourteen years to be knights.

Sometimes owned their own castles.

~ Maiinga Mweetwa, Gr. 6

COLOUR THOUGHTS CONTINUED

Blue is like the rapid waves of the ocean. It's like the moving clouds of the sky and the blue, blue jay of the bright morning.

~Kudakwashe Zulu

Yellow is the colour of the mighty sun that shines like Jesus. He is the man that everybody's looking forward to. Oh what a glory it will be when He comes back to earth! All the Christians will be with Him in Heaven. Heaven shines like gold, silver and yellowish things. Oh, oh what a glory!

~Nkheke Chinyama

SHOE TALE

I have been in more than one country. I am white with a little see-through butterfly on the front. I was in a jumble sale box with lots of other shoes just like me. I am a size 7.5, and done up with straps. I am pure white with a 1.5 inch heel. I was shipped from North America in a big shipping container. When I was put out in the jumble sale, a girl who had slightly larger feet than practically everyone in her grade got me. When this girl got me, I went back to North America with her on furlough. The most special event that I was worn in was at this same girl's sister's wedding. I was a bit plain for the wedding, but it was alright. I was cute enough to suffice. I came back to Zambia, and am now in someone else's care. I guess I've actually been in more than two countries. When I came back to Zambia, I made a stop in London. For a while, I was the fanciest shoe that the first girl who got me had!

~Deirdre Robertson, Gr. 8

