

# KENYAN SCHOOL PROJECT NEWSLETTER October 2021

Habari marafiki! (Hello friends!)

We are excited to announce that the board of the Kenyan School Project has approved the construction of a classroom for grade 1 & 2 students at the Olemoncho Primary School. That's just one piece of news in our latest report to you who make our work possible. Read on!

## **WATER FLOWS AT OLEMONCHO!**

Over the summer, board member Ann Goss visited the Olemoncho School to meet with the school's head teacher (equivalent to the superintendent) and the school's management committee. While at the school, Ann was able to view firsthand the successful results of projects that KSP has helped fund.



The school prioritized the need for an operating water supply, and in 2020 we responded. During Ann's visit, Head Teacher Jeremiah Kitesho praised KSP for helping the Olemoncho School improve the lives of the 350-plus children who attend the school. "We are grateful to the Kenyan School Project, especially now with COVID that we have a wash station and the children have clean drinking water!"

Mr. Kitesho showed Ann around the school grounds, pointing out the results of our most recently funded project: newly constructed bases for three water tanks, sturdy guttering on the classrooms, multiple water access stations, and sanitation stations.





Ann inquired how Covid has been affecting the Masai Mara area, especially the local school community. Mr. Kitesho reported the great news that students, teachers and parents were free of the virus and no COVID cases have been reported there to date. The families at the Olemoncho School are dedicated to providing a healthy, stable, and responsible educational environment for their children. Mr. Kitesho and the school management committee make the most of this parental enthusiasm; together the school community has ensured that the projects we fund are completed on schedule and within budget.

#### A NEW OPPORTUNITY TO HELP

We are now requesting donations for our next project with the Olemoncho School—the construction of a new classroom. This is where you, our generous donors, play such an important role. We need your support to create a new learning space for these young students. These children have been learning their lessons in a small crowded building off the school grounds for several years. It's time for them to be able to have some space for learning, with adequate light and desks. The students are eager to be part of the school compound again.

OUR GOAL IS TO RAISE \$10,000 BY THE END OF NOVEMBER. Please take time now to make a tax deductible contribution to the Kenyan School Project! We can't do this without you!

To donate, go to our Go Fund Me campaign which supports our current project:



https://gofund.me/52ad5726

Or send a check to:
Kenyan School Project
4559 Center Rd
Lopez Island, WA 98261
Visit our web site at <a href="https://www.kenyanschoolproject.org">www.kenyanschoolproject.org</a>

## THE POWERFUL IMPACT OF YOUR DONATIONS TO KSP

Here's why giving to KSP is such an effective act of generosity. We work closely with the school management committee and let the school community guide the needs and process for each project. Every dollar we receive becomes many shillings to help complete a project. For the past ten years, the Kenyan School Project has accomplished more than ten education-based projects in rural Kenya. That's thanks to our community of donors from Lopez Island and friends around the country and the world!

Together, over the past eleven years, we've achieved so much. In 2010, the Kenyan School Project began its first project with the Burguret Primary school, another elementary school, situated in the shadow of Mt. Kenya on the edge of the Great Rift Valley, and continued to work with the school for five years. During that time we funded a kitchen and food storage area, water catchment tanks and a wash station, and two kindergarten classrooms, as well as donated culturally appropriate books for the school library and provided much-needed school supplies.

Currently KSP is helping the Olemoncho Primary School, located in the Masai Mara region of Kenya, to achieve its goals. To date we have provided funds for the construction of an electric fence to protect the students from wild animals (elephants and lions). The fence means that students are safe, and the community has been able to build gardens to grow food for the school food program. Next, KSP funded the construction of a classroom for grade 5, and followed this with the water project to bring fresh potable water to the school.

We hope you realize what a difference your contributions have made for these two school communities!



You can be certain that although they are far from us geographically, the members of the Kenyan school communities we serve hold you close to their hearts! Thank you from all the volunteers at KSP and the Olemoncho School.



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The **Kenyan School Project** is a small non-profit organization working to improve the lives of children in Kenya by promoting better educational opportunities and health. We take on one small project at a time.

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