

# E-ZINE END OF YEAR ISSUE

Every child has great potential for success



# From the Headteacher



## Eaglecrest Community,

As the year comes to a close, let's reflect on the moments that shaped us.

### A YEAR OF GROWTH & ACHIEVEMENT

This year has been a whirlwind of learning, growth, and new challenges. Each one of you has shown remarkable resilience and dedication, navigating through the highs and lows with grace.

**"Every step you take is a step toward becoming the best version of yourself."**

Keep asking questions. Stay curious. Never stop learning—because the world never stops teaching!

### LOOKING FORWARD TO NEW POSSIBILITIES

Take a moment to celebrate how far you've come and dream about the adventures ahead. Remember:

✦ ✦ ✦ Mistakes are not failures—they're stepping stones.

✦ ✦ ✦ Your hard work paves the way for even greater success.

✦ ✦ ✦ The journey is just as important as the destination.

Let's embrace the next chapter with open hearts and boundless enthusiasm.



🎄 **MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

Enjoy your well-deserved break, stay safe, and return recharged for another exciting year of growth and self-discovery.

With warm regards,  
Head Teacher,  
Samuel Itegi



# Football is life and life is football

by Tatyana Nyambura.

**"The academy provides us with different training skills and, most importantly, the opportunity to compete with other teams."**

Joining the football academy is one of the best decisions I have ever made. The introduction of girls

academy in our school opened a way for me to do up my talent and hobby. I can say we have the best coaches who are helping us realise our dreams. The academy provides us with different training skills and the most important the opportunity of competing with other teams through the organised tournaments. Through these tournaments we meet the best teams around and they provide the best challenges young players need. Being a Manchester City fan and a lover of football, my dream is to play for this great team in the future.





# Swimming



My hobby is swimming.

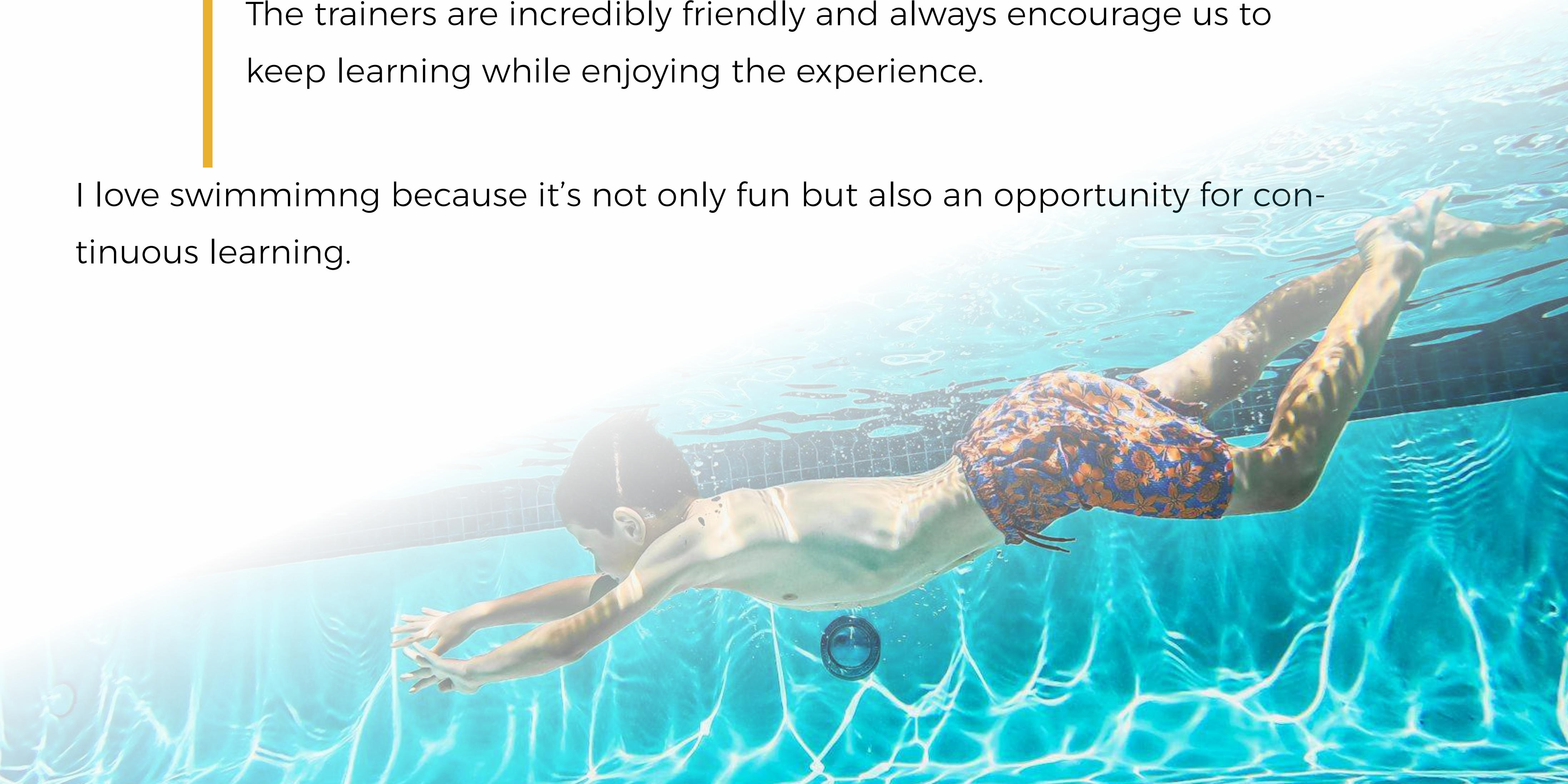
Swimming is an enjoyable and engaging activity for me. It's not just about floating; it's about learning important skills like rescuing others and overcoming challenges.

Through swimming, I've gained confidence to face different obstacles in life. Without confidence, swimming can be dangerous, and I know that if you lack it, you might drown.

Great moments at the pool have significantly influenced my relationships with other learners. We collaborate to help each other improve and sometimes compete based on the skills we've been taught.

The trainers are incredibly friendly and always encourage us to keep learning while enjoying the experience.

I love swimming because it's not only fun but also an opportunity for continuous learning.

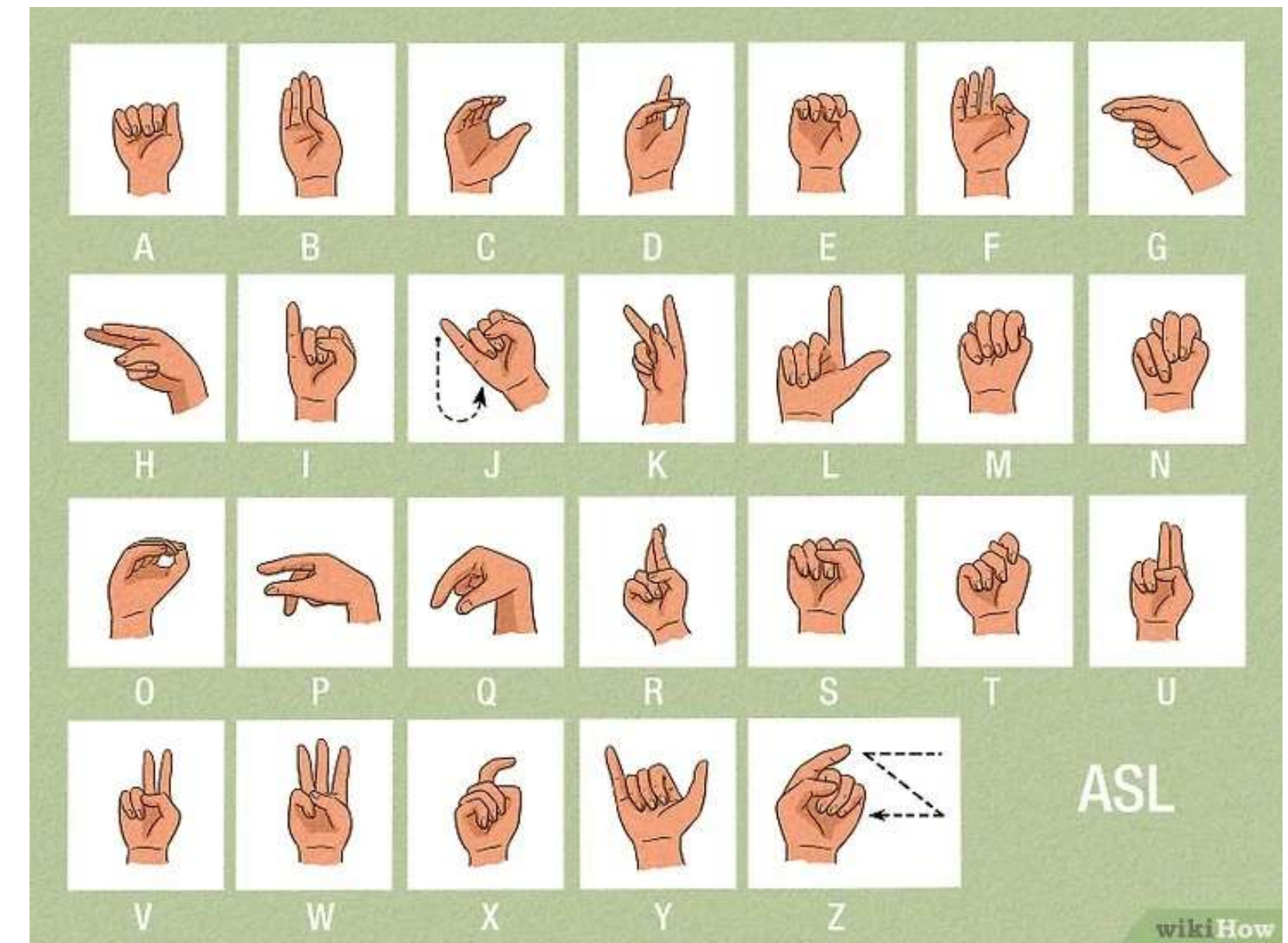




# My Journey in Learning Kenya Sign Language (KSL)

## A Personal Reflection.

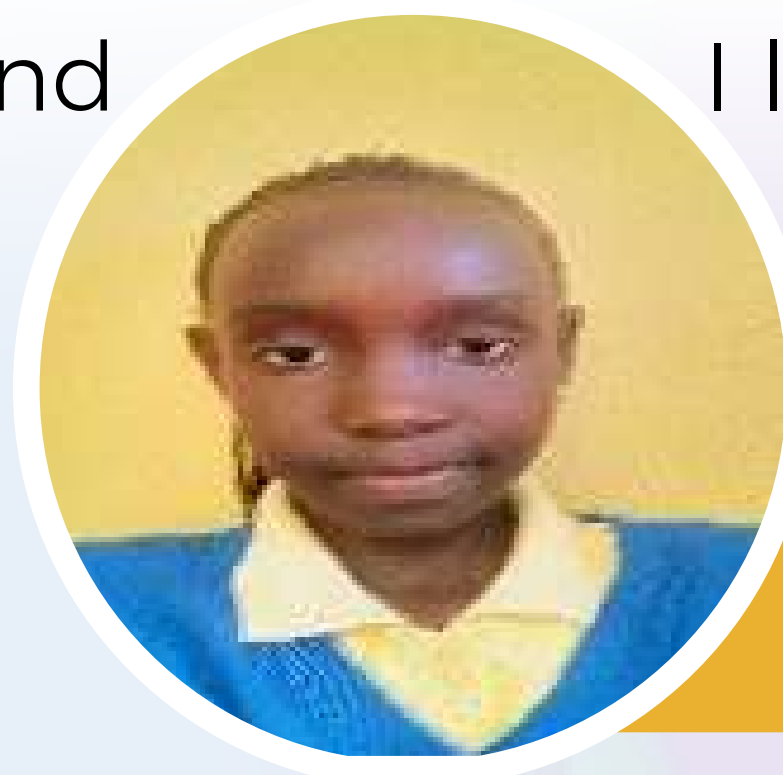
Joining the Kenya Sign Language (KSL) club has been an enriching experience for me. Over the past few months, I have learned not only the importance of communication but also the beauty of a language that is expressed through gestures, facial expression, and body language. As a member of this club, I have focused on mastering basic words and interpreting simple words and sentences, which have opened my eyes to the inclusivity and richness of KSL.



## A Proud Moment

One of the proudest moments of my journey in the Kenya Sign Language (KSL) club came on prize-giving day. I had the opportunity to serve as an interpreter during our club's presentation. This was both an exciting and nerve-wracking experience for me. Standing in front of an audience, I translated spoken words into sign language, ensuring that Deaf members of the audience were included in the event.

This experience not only boosted my confidence but also demonstrated the real-world impact of learning sign language. It was rewarding to apply the skills I had acquired and to play a role in fostering inclusivity during such an important event. My journey with KSL is ongoing, and I look forward to mastering more complex sentences and conversations. For anyone interested in learning sign language, I encourage you to be patient and consistent.



**Victoria Jeptoo**



# The Elegance of Chess

Exploring the Beauty of Strategy.

## Fun Fact

A chess match in the year 1989 went on for twenty hours and included two hundred and sixty nine moves.



When I first learned chess, I was captivated by the elegance of the game. It wasn't just about winning, It was about the depth of strategy and the

bonds shared across the chessboard.

Chess has no age limit for in our school all ages play the game and as they learn they are quite competitive.



Never play to win a pawn while your development is yet unfinished.

By Sifa Natasha Njoki





# 4K Club: Growing Knowledge, Growing Community



## By Marie Javier, Grade 4 The Art of Container Gardening



### What is it?

Growing vegetables, herbs, and spices in containers such as sacks, jerrycans, bottles, and even old gumboots!

### Why is it great?

- Beautifies the environment.
- Saves time with less weeding.
- Saves space for growing crops.
- Low cost and easy to manage.
- Portable—move gardens to better sunlight or water source. or water source.

## By Lila Miracle, Grade 4 Tools of the Trade

In the 4K Club, we use various tools to prepare our farms:

- For clearing: Slashers and machetes.
- For weeding: Fork hoes, rakes, and small hoes.
- For planting: Dibblers and drills.
- For carrying manure: Wheelbarrows loaded with garden forks.

Tool Care Tips:

- Clean and oil tools after use.
- Store tools safely to maintain their condition.
- Always observe safety measures, such as keeping a safe distance during use.



## Empowering Young Minds Through Agriculture

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# 4K Club: Growing Knowledge, Growing Community



## Farming and Environmental Care ,

By Louisa Adaeze, 3E

In 4K Club at Eaglecrest Academy, we learn to farm and care for our environment. From planting trees to protecting soil from erosion and pollution, our activities teach us about sustainability. One of my favorite lessons is container gardening, where we grow crops in used buckets, water bottles, sacks, and tires. It's a fun way to reduce and reuse solid waste, helping us manage waste effectively while keeping our environment clean.



## Water Conservation in Agriculture

By Sandy Njeri, Grade 4

In our 4K Club, the "4K" stands for Kuungana, Kufanya, Kusaidia Kenya—working together to help our country. One of our key lessons is water conservation.

### Why is water conservation important?

It ensures that water is available for plants during dry seasons.

### Methods we've learned:

**Mulching:** Covers the soil to reduce evaporation, control weeds, and prevent erosion.

**Drip Irrigation:** We use inverted plastic bottles to slowly water plant roots, saving water while nourishing crops.



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# Book Report

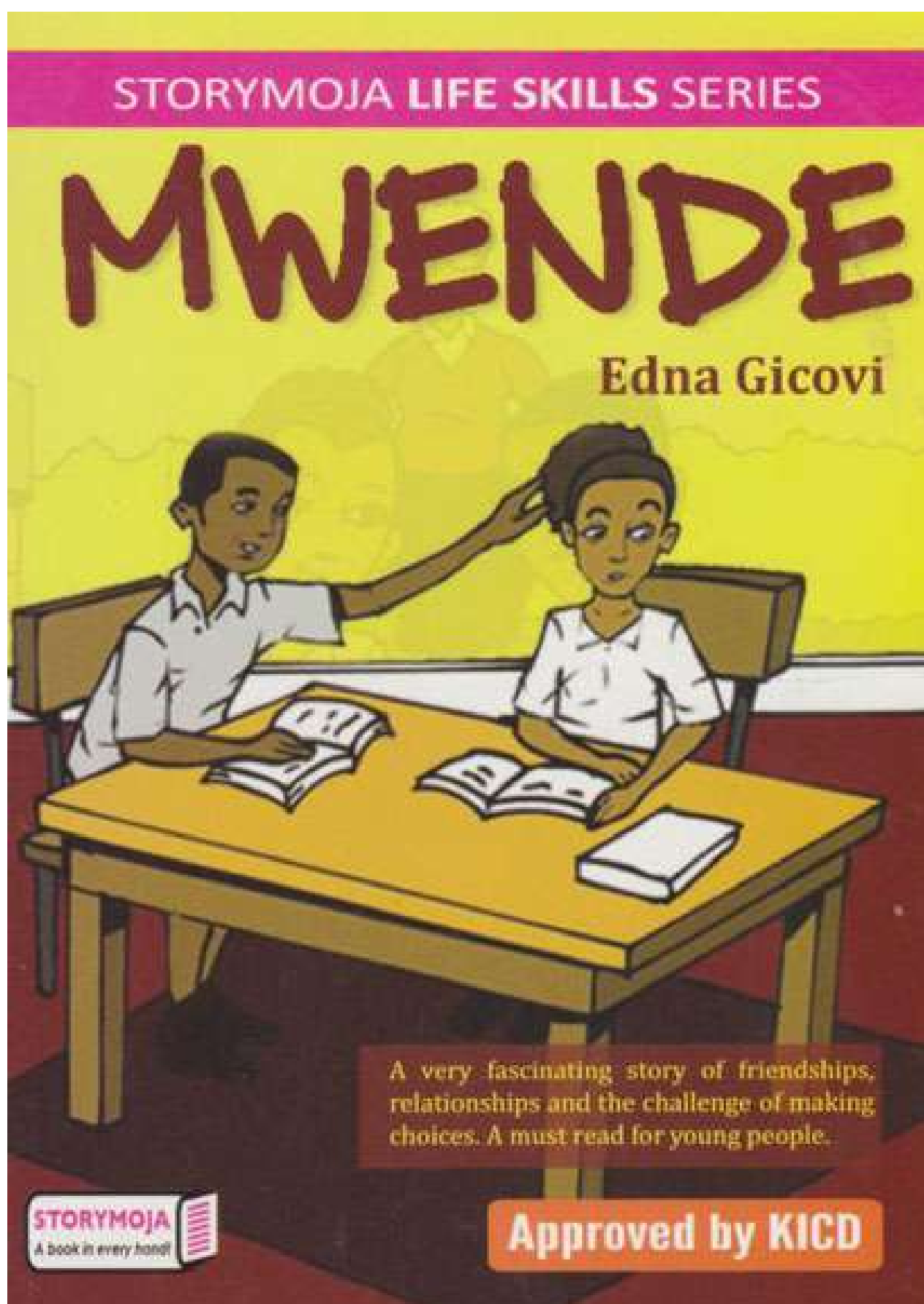


**Book Title: Mwende**

**Author: Edna Gicovi**

**Reported by: Shaka Mutekwa**

**Grade: 6**



## a) The Setting

Plot 10 of Judeah Estate, Section 2.

## b) The Characters

Main Characters: Mwende, Stephen (Stevo), Auntie Mutheu.

Supporting Characters: Mama Boi, Nzilani, Jared Omondi, Mrs. Kaveke, Beryl, Ruth, Cara, Musyoka, Sifa, and Mrs. Omtita.

## c) How Did It Start?

Norah Mwende lived with her Auntie Mutheu.

One evening, Mwende and Stevo were studying mathematics together in Auntie Mutheu's house. Auntie Mutheu, who usually came home late, arrived early that day. She found Stevo and Mwende together, got angry, kicked Stevo out, and banned him

from visiting again.

## d) What Happened in the Middle?

At school, Ms. Kaveke caught Mwende and Stevo talking and acting romantically. She reported their behavior to Auntie Mutheu. At home, Mwende was beaten thoroughly and kicked out. She sought help from Omosh, but her plan to stay there backfired.

## e) What Happened in the End?

Mwende went to Stevo's house and met their housekeeper, Beryl. Beryl informed her that Stevo was not around but often came home for lunch. At 1:15 p.m., Mrs. Omtita came home and found Mwende in poor condition. She took Mwende to the hospital for treatment and later to the chief. The chief suggested that Mwende stay with him, but she refused. They went back to Auntie Mutheu's house and discussed the issue. It was concluded that Mwende and Stevo should focus on their schoolwork and continue their romantic relationship later.



# Ripoti Ya Kitabu



**Mada: Kashida katika Shida**

**Mwandishi: Yahya Mutuku**

**Ripoti: Victoria Jeptoo**

**Gredi: Ya Tano**

**Mpangilio (Hadithi Ilifanyika Wapi na Wakati Gani):**

Hadithi ilifanyika kijijini, ingawa wakati sahihi haukutajwa.

**Wahusika Katika Hadithi:**

Kashida

Mkombozim

Neli

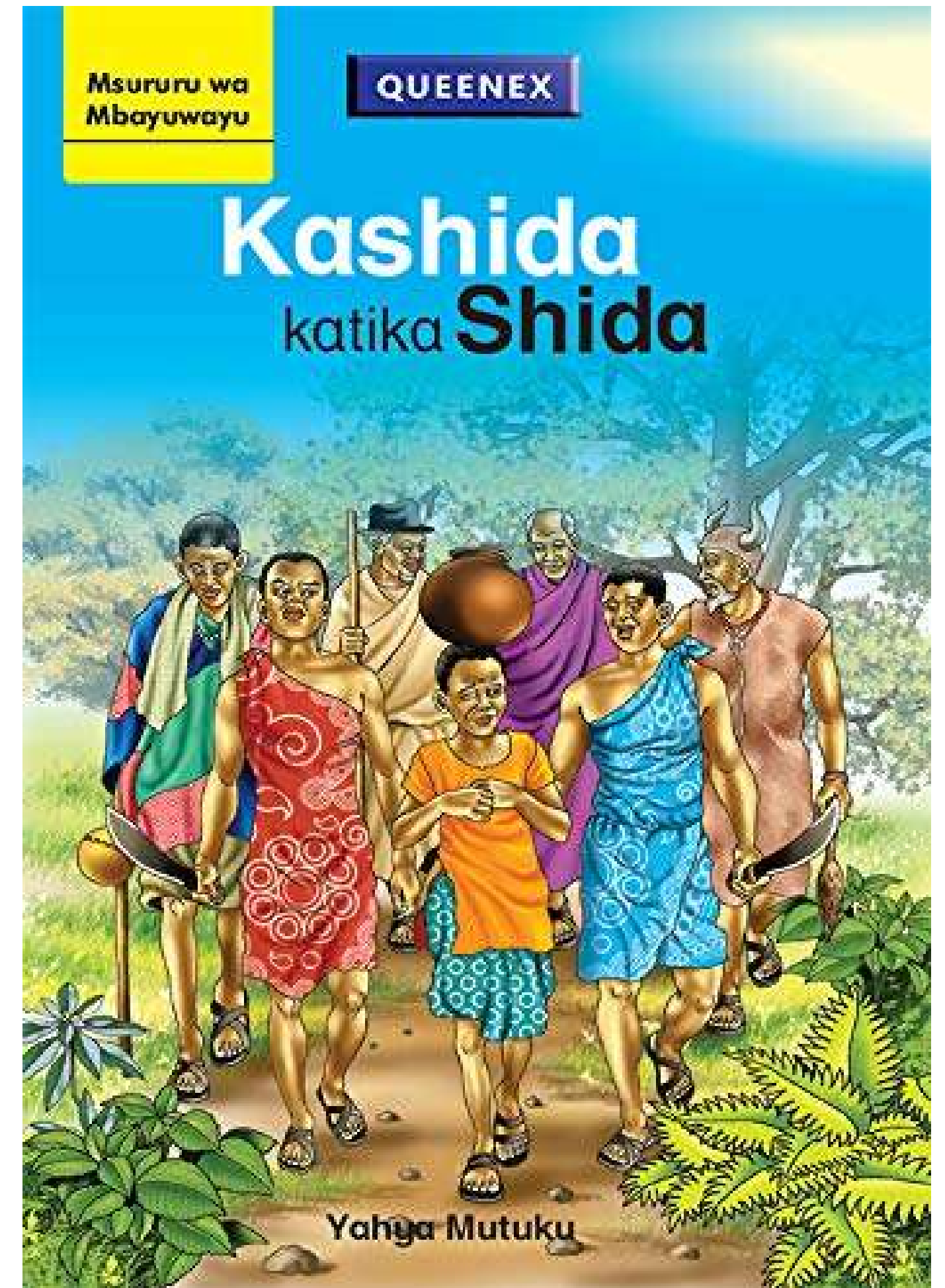
Mamushka

Biti Chaurembo

Na wengine.

Mhusika Mkuu:

Kashida ni mhusika mkuu katika hadithi hii.



**Nguvu :** ★★★★★

**Hadithi Iianza Vipi?**

Kashida alikuwa mmoja kati ya wana wanane wa Mwiba kutoka milki ya Tabu. Haku-  
pendwa na yeyote katika familia yake kwa sababu alikuwa Chongo (kipofu).

**Ni Nini Kilifanyika Baadaye?**

Katika milki ya Tabu, ilijulikana kwamba mtoto yeyote aliyezaliwa na ulemavu alipaswa  
kutolewa kafara. Walipanga njama ya kumtoa kafara, lakini Maulana alingilia kati. Wakati ali-  
paswa kutolewa kafara, Mkombozi alikwenda kumsaidia.

**Hadithi Iiisha Vipi?**

Walipojua kwamba Kashida ni mtoto wa Mfalme, alifanywa kuwa malkia. Yeyote aliyetaka  
kumudhuru alifungwa gerezani.

**Maneno Mapya:**

**Rato:** Jembelenye meno matatu.

**Kiwango:** Hali au kiwango cha kitu





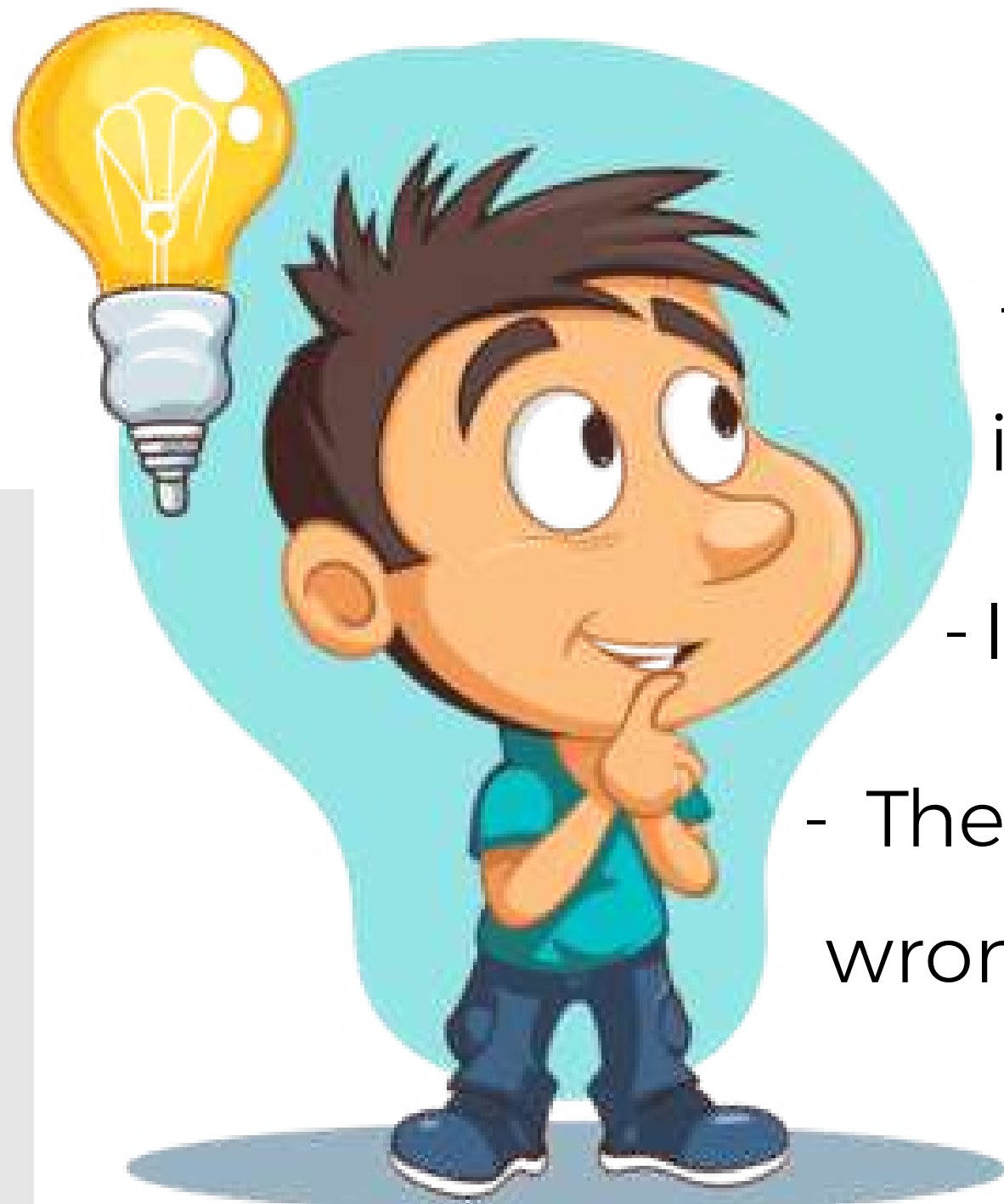
**Our  
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# Riddles & Jokes

## RIDDLES



- It belongs to you, but your friends use it more. What is it?
- If you don't keep me, I will break. What am I?
- There is only one word in the dictionary that is spelled wrong. What is it?
- Which word becomes shorter when you add two letters to it?

If I have it, I don't share it. If I share it, I don't have it. What is it?

## Joke

Did you hear of the comedian that was arrested in the park? He was charged with a battery.





# Art Essay

By: Amalia Noelle Grade: 5



Art has always been a mirror, reflecting the ever-shifting landscapes of human thought, emotion, and society.

*But what happens when the mirror breaks?*



Welcome to the world of abstract art, where the familiar is deconstructed and the unseen takes center stage. In this realm, artists are not mere observers of the world, but creators of new universes—where lines blur between emotion and form, and where meaning is as fluid as a brushstroke on a canvas.

## My Personal Experience with Art

To me, my first personal experience with art is drawing. Ever since I was young, drawing has inspired me and made me more creative in mind.

Sometimes, when drawing, the imagination you think about doesn't appear as expected—but that's okay! Not everything goes as planned. As a true artist says:

*"No artwork is bad; you just have to use your imagination to make something new out of it."*

## Exploring New Mediums

Although I thought drawing was my only talent, I discovered something new—I can create sisal skirts out of banana fibers! This shows that sometimes, things you think you're not good at can surprise you.





# Spiritual Corner



**"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."**

**Romans 8:31-32**

*This verse reminds us of the power of prayer and trust in God's provision. If God is for us, who can be against us? Let us approach Him with gratitude and faith.*

## **Change Your Ways**

by Aisha Nyambura, Grade 4

"If Saul changed his ways, who are we not to change?"

On his road to Damascus, Saul saw a brilliant light,

Heard a mighty voice, a powerful sound,

A message clear, a call to pray, to change.

His name became Paul, answering heaven's call,

His life's work, to save all, to lift them from a fall.

Once he scorned God's word, but later he proclaimed,

The Lord is our God, almighty and acclaimed.

My brothers and sisters, let us learn from Saul,

Our status matters not, our Father answers all.

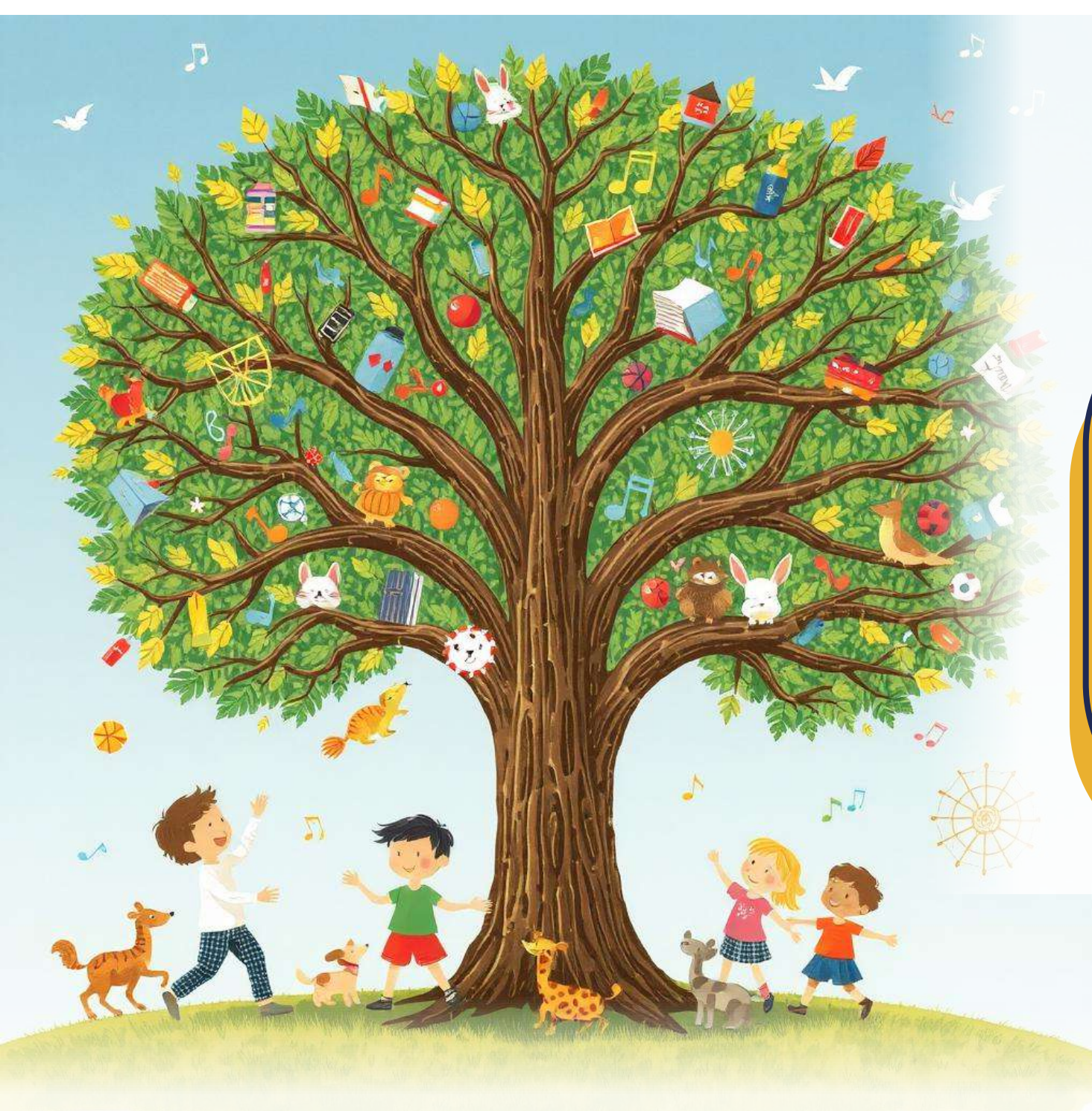


# From the Director.



A group of animals attended a class together. At the end of the lesson, they sat for a test. The test was to see how well each would accomplish the task. Each animal was assigned a different task. The fish was to climb a tree; the bird was to swim across the river; the monkey was to fly to the top of a hill. Which animal accomplished the task well? None! And perhaps the assessor wrote in the report card of each animal

And here lies the key role of a teacher; helping learners identify talents, develop skills and achieve success. We look forward to the new year at school with more activities to identify and develop talent even as we pursue academic excellence. We celebrate every learner for effort put in different areas.



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There are learners who showed their prowess in music, others in chess and yet others in football and ballet. There are those who made wonderful art and craft pieces. Others baked delicious

‘Below Expectation’.

buns and cookies. There are those whose creative minds wove captivating stories. Others planted seeds, lovingly nurtured the seedlings until it matured and bore fruit! And there are those who put their minds to research and problem solving. To all our learners we say-WELL DONE!

We can clearly see where the mistake was. The animals were assessed in skills that they could never be competent in. Had they been assessed in skills within their ability, most likely they would have a ‘Exceeding Expectation’ report.

We know that every child has great potential for success!





May this Christmas bring you peace, happiness and the promise of a bright new year ahead.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!