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Under The Mango Tree Newsletter

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Supporting Timboni Nursery, Primary & Junior Secondary School,
Kambe, Kenya



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Bee keeping Project

Report received from school – January 2025:



I am writing with much happiness to update you on the progress of our beekeeping project. I'm pleased to inform you that we have successfully harvested 7 litres of honey this month. We plan to sell this honey, and the proceeds will be directed to the school account to further support our activities.

Agnes Tewa
Headteacher

Sewing Room

The sewing teacher, Queen Mwaka, is currently paid Kshs 350 per day (less than £2.50), which totals Kshs 7,000 per month (around £45) when funds are available. She works for 3 hours each day but spends the entire day at school, as she must wait for her scheduled lessons. Queen Mwaka reports to work from Monday to Friday and teaches grades 7 through 9.

This project is a fantastic opportunity for the broader community. Not only does it provide these young people, both girls and boys, with a solid education, but it also teaches them a valuable life skill. This skill can empower them to create clothing for themselves and their families, and for some, it may even open doors to future job opportunities.



We appealed for contributions to pay for the sewing teacher and we are grateful to have received some money. However, there is a shortfall for the year and further support will be warmly welcomed.

School commentary

(written by Mr Moses Banda)

December 2024 report:

The month of December was filled with the joy of Christmas celebrations. Despite the festivities, we ensured that the school's assets were in excellent condition for the students to use when school reopens in January 2025.

Together with the Headteacher, Madam Agnes, and the Deputy Headteacher, Mr. Hamisi, we conducted our regular monthly inspection, and I am pleased to report that all items were found to be in proper condition.

Additionally, in December, we carried out a heartwarming activity of giving back to the less fortunate and orphans by providing them with Christmas packages consisting of food commodities.

We are sincerely grateful for the unwavering support from **Under The Mango Tree** over the years.

January 2025 report:

In the month of January, Madam Agnes, Mr. Hamisi, and I conducted the monthly inspection of items funded by UTMT. Our findings are as follows:

- The classrooms are in good condition.
- The playing ground, used for co-curricular activities, is well maintained, with no littering around the school compound.
- The furniture, including chairs, tables, and desks, is in good condition.
- The school cooks ensure that meals are prepared and served on time for the learners.
- The library continues to play a significant role in the students' learning, as they use it to read storybooks and revise their studies.



Photo of the four roomed classroom, funded by UTMT, in 2018

School buildings funded by UTMT

Although the school has provided positive feedback, recent photos of the building's exterior and classroom interiors, funded by UTMT, reveal a pressing need for minor repairs, such as cracked plaster and a thorough cleaning and repainting. The staffroom also lacks shelving and storage, causing disorganization for the teaching staff. We are eager to set aside a small financial reserve to purchase necessary materials and invite the school community to contribute to the restoration and repairs.

Next visit – May 2025

[This is a reprint of the article from the December 2024 newsletter](#)

Celebrating 20 Years of Timboni School

Unbelievably, it has now been **20 years** since the first infrastructure was built and Timboni School was founded. What a journey it has been—transforming lives, empowering students, and creating a strong, vibrant community.

To mark this special milestone, Timboni School is planning a **big celebration in May 2025**. A group of us will be there to join in the festivities, and we would love for you to be part of this momentous occasion.

If you're interested in joining us for the celebration and experiencing the incredible impact of your support firsthand, please let us know. We would be thrilled to have you with us as we celebrate two decades of success and look ahead to the future of Timboni School.

If you would like to contribute to help the school fund the celebration, please mark your donation with the reference "**20 years**". Your support will go directly towards making this milestone event a memorable one for everyone involved, including the students, teachers, and the wider community. Every contribution, large or small, will make a difference in ensuring that this celebration is truly special.

We are grateful for your continued generosity and partnership. Thank you for helping us celebrate two decades of growth, achievement, and hope at Timboni School!

Reminders!

- Please remember to book a holiday with Riviera Travel if that's your thing! Mention Under the Mango Tree **when you book** and they will give us 10% of the holiday cost after you've travelled.
[Click here to look at Riviera holidays](#)
- Standing orders – if you can afford it, please consider a standing order, with no amount too small to matter (form attached or set up via your online bank account). It costs just:
 - £2 a month will feed a Timboni child 2 meals a day in the school week.
 - £11 a month will pay for all the pre-nursery children to go on an annual school trip (usually the first time they have left the area).
 - £30 a month will pay for the Christmas food packages for the orphans.
 - £120 a month will pay a teacher's salary.

With love

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