



Spirit of The Banda

Friday 12th January 2024

A WORD FROM THE HEADMASTER

Happy New Year and a very warm welcome back to school to everyone, especially to all of our new pupils and two new members of staff - Mrs Minnaar, who is looking after Mrs Foster's class whilst she is on maternity leave, and Ms Ngume, who is taking over the teaching of Lower School Art.

My highlight of this first week back was viewing the Art and DT portfolios of the Year 8 potential scholars. Not only has each and every one of them produced some absolutely fantastic work, but they were able to speak maturely and knowledgeably about it. We wish them all the very best of luck, along with those pupils sitting for academic, music, drama and sports awards at Hillcrest and Peponi over the coming few days.

The recent rains have left our playing fields looking in fine condition and we greatly anticipate the first round of hockey matches next week against St Christopher's. As usual, there is a packed calendar of events this term, covering all aspects of school life and I very much look forward to seeing you at them over the coming weeks.

James Moss-Gibbons

REMINDER

School Photographs - All week, next week. Please send your child with smart school uniform everyday.

REMINDER

Please ensure that your child/ren's belongings are all labelled - so their belongings can be returned!

NOTICE

ADMISSIONS

- **Nursery 1 and Nursery 2 are currently at capacity.**
- **If you are planning to enroll a sibling of a current pupil into Reception for September 2024, please contact Karen Morey at admissions@bandaschool.com as soon as possible.**

See Week 2 events overleaf

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SECONDARY SCHOOL VISITS



CHELTEMHAM
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THIS IS CLC

Meet Charlotte Coull, Head of International Recruitment
Tuesday 23rd January, 10.00am - 12.00pm
The Banda School, Nairobi

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Taunton Senior School is a traditional, co-educational day and boarding school in the south-west of England for students aged 13 – 18.



TAUNTON SCHOOL WILL BEAT THE BANDA SCHOOL

FRIDAY 26TH JANUARY

FROM 10.00 - 12.00



If you'd like to find out more about Taunton School, please email Adrian Hallworth (Director of International Student Recruitment) to arrange a meeting at the school:

adrian.hallworth@tauntonschool.co.uk

or WhatsApp Adrian: (+44) 7711 411537

Meetings are also available at any time on Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th at the Double Tree Hilton Hotel.

For more information about the school, please visit our website: www.tauntonschool.co.uk or scan the QR code.

We look forward to seeing you.



We are a down-to-earth, ambitious and friendly school with a thriving boarding community and a genuine global outlook.

Taunton School sits on a beautiful 56-acre campus and has just over 600 students, with approximately 300 full-time boarders.

The school is the only boarding school in the UK to offer 4 pathways to university: A Levels, IB, BTEC & a Foundation Programme.



PTA CORNER

Our Chair, Brad, went over the holidays to hand over a donation on behalf of the PTA to Kibera Pride.

Please see below for a lovely message from Irene, on behalf of Kibera Pride.

Heartfelt Thanks for Your Generous Support

Dear Banda School Parents,

We extend our deepest gratitude to each and every one of you who contributed to the Christmas party event fundraising for Kibera Pride Children's Home. Your generosity has made a significant impact, and we are overwhelmed with gratitude.

Thanks to your collective efforts, the Ksh 200,000 we received will be utilised to address crucial needs at Kibera Pride Children's Home. This includes covering two months' rent, providing a stipend for our dedicated staff members who have selflessly worked without payment for a year, clearing fees arrears for students who missed their national exam results due to unpaid fees, and ensuring that the children have access to essential resources such as water and food.

Your support goes beyond monetary value; it reflects a compassionate community that cares about the well-being and future of these children. As we celebrate this festive season, we want to express our heartfelt appreciation for your kindness and generosity.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and your families. Thank you for standing with Kibera Pride Children's Home and being a beacon of hope for these young lives.

Warm regards,

Irene Kasandi
Director
Kibera Pride Children's Home



HOCKEY CAMP

The new calendar year kicked off in style last weekend with a Banda Hockey camp before the start of term. 96 children attended the 3 days coaching at school with children ranging from year 1 all the way up to year 8. It was particularly pleasing to see so many new children there getting to know their new friends and environment. A great time was had by all who came and their coaches and plenty of good hockey played ahead of the new season.



THE BANDA IAPS GOLF TOURNAMENT



Next Monday, 22nd January, We will host the Banda IAPS Golf Tournament at Karen Country Club.

Our main team of Jesse (Captain), Shayan, Ayaan and Jake will play in the main competition.

We can also enter 4 players for a friendly game. I have James (Y7) and Tristan (Y6) so far. I have room for 2 more players.

If your child can play 9 holes in 65 or less, please email Mr Walsh on p.walsh@bandaschool.com

YEAR 6

Year 6 pupils enthusiastically engaged in a hands-on activity, joyfully assigning names to the various bones on a skeleton. This interactive learning experience not only fostered a deeper understanding of human anatomy but also sparked curiosity and interest in the intricacies of the skeletal system.



YEAR 6

Year 6 started off their woodwork project in DT by learning about different drills. They got to use the hand drill, battery drill and pillar drill.



YEAR 5

Year 5 have started a woodwork project in DT that involves measuring and lots of planning before they can begin making. They were very good at making sure everything was planned out before the making stage.



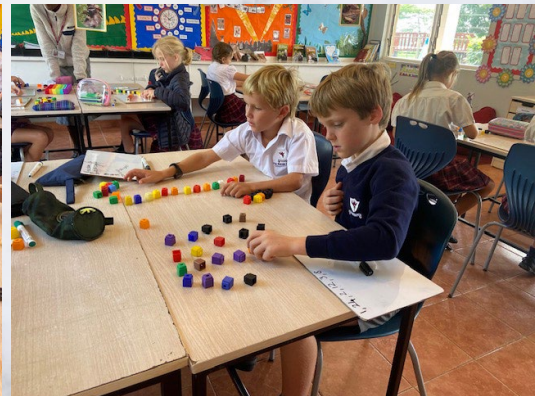
LOWER SCHOOL YEAR 4

In History, Year 4 children worked together to illustrate the invasion of Germany into Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland and delivered a detailed presentation on the causes of World War Two



Factor pairs are pairs of numbers that, when multiplied together, result in a specific product. For example, the factor pairs of 12 are 1 and 12, 2 and 6, and 3 and 4. Understanding factor pairs helps in multiplication and division, as they represent the different combinations of numbers that can be multiplied to achieve a given product.

The children also found out that working with Factor Numbers is like finding the friends that a number can play with to create a maths equation! They thoroughly enjoyed using cubes to find all the factor pairs of a given product.



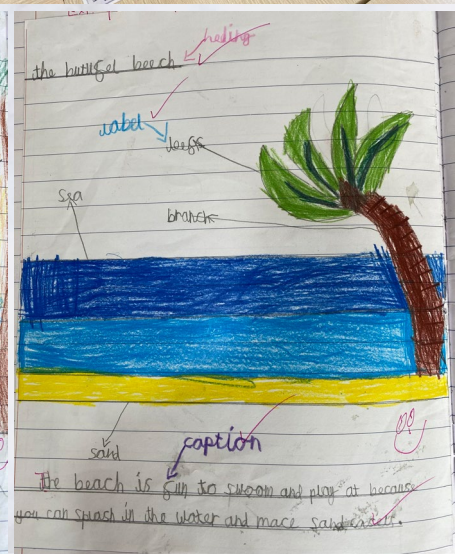
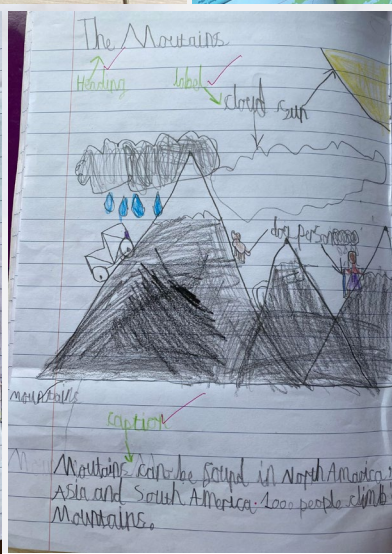
YEAR 3

We started our class reader *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* this week by discussing the 4 children in the story and what their different characters are like. A great discussion took place over what they thought the characteristics were. Our weekly maths session kicked off with a variety of games including the time ball, multiplication dominoes and multiplication and division snakes and ladders!



YEAR 2

This week in Literacy we worked in groups to identify the features of information texts in non-fiction books. Some children drew a picture and then added some features of non-fiction texts to their work. They included: heading, caption and labels.



YEAR 1

In Science we have begun our new Unit, What is Growing in our Garden. The children did stunning observational drawings of fruits from both the outside and inside perspectives. They used magnifying glasses to look at the intricacies and details of the fruit. And of course enjoyed eating the fruit after!



PEGASUS EARLY YEARS

NURSERY 2

Through the canvas of imagination and the pages of wonder, children paint the colours of their dreams, read the stories of their hearts, and play the roles that shape their infinite possibilities.



RIISING STARS

The children were excited to be back and have been taking part in a variety of activities.



WEEK 2**MENU****MONDAY****TUESDAY****WEDNESDAY****THURSDAY****FRIDAY****MORNING BREAK****LUNCH: SOUP****MAINS****VEGGIE****SIDES****DESSERT****MAIN SCHOOL****DESSERT****PEY**Honey
Pancakes
& FruitCheese Straws
Fresh Fruit

Cake & Fruit

Jam Sandwiches
& Carrot SticksHome Made
Flapjacks & Fresh
FruitCream of
Butternut SoupSpaghetti in
Tomato SauceRoasted Chicken
Slices Marinated in
Paprika and
LemonOpen Grilled
Cheese & Tomato
SandwichesHungarian Beef
GoulashFish Goujons
Chicken Goujons
(PEY)Spaghetti in
Pesto SauceSliced Paneer
TikkaOpen Grilled
Cheese & Tomato
Sandwiches

Beans Goulash

Paneer Goujons

Grated Cheese
Seasonal
VegetablesNaan
GF Naan
Salsa SauceJacket Potatoes
Corn on the Cob
Baked Beans in
Tomato SauceBrown Rice
UgaliChips
French Beans &
Carrots

Fruit Salad

Ice Cream
Fresh Fruit

Fruit Platter

Mango Surprise
Bananas

Fresh Fruit Platter

Fruit Salad

Yogurt &
Biscuit Crumble
Fruit

Fruit Platter

Mango Surprise
Bananas

Fresh Fruit Platter

SALAD BAR - an assortment of salads is served every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Coleslaw, Carrot Sticks, Beetroot, Quinoa, Grated Cheese, Grated Carrots, Couscous, Two Beans Salad, Pasta Salad, Egg Salad, Roast Chicken, Roast Beef, Avocado

DRESSINGS - Honey Vinaigrette, Cocktail Sauce, Mayonnaise

Menu subject to change. All meats are Halal



DRAGON FRUIT & BANANA SMOOTHIE



Ingredients

- 1 red Dragon fruit
- 1 ripe banana
- ½ liter oat or dairy milk chilled
- 8 ice cubes

Equipment

- Chopping Board
- 1 Bowl
- Knife
- Blender
- 3 Glasses and paper straws

Method

- Wash the dragon fruit and cut lengthwise into half on the chopping board
- Scoop out the fruit into the bowl
- Peel the Banana and slice into rings on the chopping board and mix with dragon fruit.
- Add to the blender - ice cubes, two fruits and ½ liter milk and blend for 2 to 3 minutes
- Pour into the glasses and serve chilled.

NOTICE BOARD



25TH EDITION OF THE HOG CHARGE

27TH - 28TH JANUARY 2024 @ PEPONI SCHOOL



DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES
4PM SATURDAY,
JANUARY 20TH. 2024

Entries of teams of 4 cyclists in the
following categories:

**Under 12, Under 14, Open
and Family**

Scan code to
Register & for
more information



The Hog Charge is a fund-raising event for the conservation of the Water Towers of Kenya. The conservation activities are implemented by Rhino Ark, a charitable trusts that develops sustainable solutions to the challenges facing mountain forests ecosystems and threatened biodiversity areas, through public-private partnerships. Our successes in conservation are thanks to your continual support



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