

Spirit of The Banda

Friday 9th February 2024

A WORD FROM THE HEADMASTER

Following last week's scholarship news from Peponi, it was great to hear that Amanda Manduku has also been awarded a Sports Exhibition there. We then heard this week that ten pupils have received scholarships to Hillcrest. Many congratulations to Maya Kamiri and Sofia Keiser (all rounder); Mayian Douglas-Hamilton Pope, Ivy Fusco-Roberts and Zuwena Lee (art); Serena Lakhani, Tatiana Lawrence, Jake McRae and Kayleigh Nann (sport); and Zahra Darker (drama).

As mentioned last week, the trips programme is in full swing: Year 3 enjoyed a day at Mlango Farm on Monday, Year 1 ventured out to Ocean Sole on Tuesday and Year 4 have been at the War Cemetery today. Furthermore, a group of Year 6, 7 and 8 pupils are currently enjoying a Science and Geography themed trip in Watamu.

The first half of term has seemingly passed in a flash and I wish you all a fun and restful Half Term before a further six busy weeks take us towards the Easter break.

James Moss-Gibbons



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SECONDARY SCHOOL VISITS



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UK Boarding Schools visit The Banda School



We warmly invite The Banda families to meet and chat informally to Heads, Deputy Heads and Registrars from UK Boarding Schools

Friday 23 February 2024 from 7.45am

at THE BANDA SCHOOL by the Wall, Main Car Park

UK BOARDING SCHOOLS

Bede's School • Cranleigh School • Kingham Hill School
Queen Ethelburga's Collegiate • Royal High School, Bath
Warwick School and King's High School

FUTURE SCHOOLS TALK

Thursday saw Banda host six international schools at our annual Future School's event, which was a great success. The Banda senior team provided advice on selecting schools and were ably assisted by educational consultants Richard Foster and Andrew Walker











The PTA held the much awaited Upper School Movie Night last week Friday.

We watched Night At The Museum, and we had giggles and laughter throughout the night. Special thanks to Mala for organising yummy popcorn and for helping co-ordinate the much loved shawarma stand.

Thank to Brad, Fleur, Ash, Grace & Carole for happily helping throughout the night.





The PTA held their coffee morning at Matbronze on Thursday this week.

I was really glad to see so many new faces.

Thank you to all the Reps who made it and helped organise everything.

I encourage everyone to attend the upcoming Quiz Night later on this term, don't miss out on the fun!



IAPS TRIATHLON

16 Banda children from Years 5-8 travelled to Braeburn Garden Estate for the IAPS Triathlon last Saturday. For the U11 children this involved swimming 6 lengths, cycling 4.3km and running 1.7km and for the U13 children swimming 8 lengths, cycling 6.7km and running 2.4 km. This was a fantastic event which really tested the stamina, perseverance and endurance of our athletes as well as their ability to transition quickly between each discipline. It was a wonderful effort from all of our triathletes but a special mention goes to Talia Sadron who came in 3rd in the U13 Girls' event, Maya Kamiri who came in 2nd (just 20 seconds behind 1st place!) and to Tristan Darker who won the U11 Boys category.





















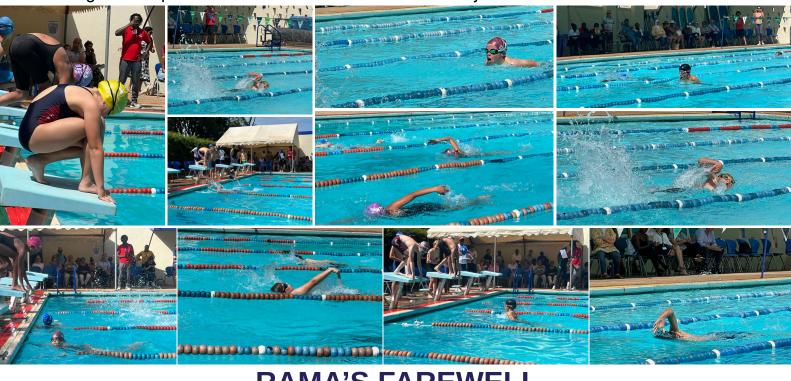






IAPS U11 WARM-UP SWIMMING GALA

Our amazing swimmers represented The Banda at the IAPS Under 11 Warm-Up Gala this week. The boys' A team secured 4th place, while the girls' team came 3rd, resulting in an overall 3rd place for the school. The boys' B team took 1st place, and the girls' team came 3rd, resulting in a 1st place overall. All teams did an incredible job!



RAMA'S FAREWELL

The parents organised a surprise farewell for Rama at Matteos with a great turnout from the swim teams and parents.















FLIGHT

Within the Banda school, there is a programme called FLIGHT. Flight stands for Future learning, Life learning, Inspiring others, Grasping new skills, Harnessing passions and Train and play. There are a variety of FLIGHT activities that you can do within The Banda. However, we can guarantee that from the classrooms at one side of the school, to the fields at the other, FLIGHT is fun for everyone.

Some examples of FLIGHT that are the pupils' favourites are: Sign Language, Planet Warriors, Apothecary, Baking and Broadway Bandits. Apart from these, there are many other FLIGHT groups that you can join. ~ Summer Mills



Year 5 extension activity in Art: painting shadows influenced by Hundertwasser's use of line, colour and love of nature. In Science, the children learned about Tectonic plates using (and



LOWER SCHOOL YEAR 4

This week in PSHE, Year 4 have been talking about love and loss. This meant different things to different people. It could mean losing someone we love when they pass away or leaving a friend in a former school. We created Memory Kites where we drew pictures and wrote about our memories. Then we had lots of fun trying to make them fly!

Who did we remember? 'My two friends in South Africa'

'My friends in Mauritius; they were playful and nice. I did not get to say goodbye to them.'

'My friend Harper in South Africa.'
'My Uncle Neville, he died of cancer because of smoking'
'We moved house and I did not get to say goodbye to my neighbours, but I see them often on Roblox.'









Following a presentation from Simon Bendry from the Commonweath War Graves Commission in London, the Year 4s visited the Nairobi War Cemetary today as part of our study of World War 2. Learning about the work of the Commission was a useful foundation for our trip. We learnt about the service of the soldiers buried at the cemetery, the symbols to look out for on the headstones and what they represent. At The Nairobi War Cemetary, we were met by Isabel Kimani from their Nairobi office, who welcomed us and introduced the different sections of the cemetery. It is a beautifully maintained memorial and this is what our students had to say about it:

'I was surprised by how beautiful it was.'

'I was flabbergasted when I saw all the graves, I didn't know it was going to be that beautiful.'

'I loved the drawing task. The dragon emblem was my favourite.'
'I liked how beautiful the gardens were.'
'I enjoyed looking for the different headstones.'

'I liked learning about the people who died, where they came from and their ages.'

'It was amazing.'



















In History, 4CN explored the preparations made at the outbreak of World War II to ensure people's safety and readiness. This included the use of gas masks as a precaution against potential poisonous gas attacks. To be prepared, we even constructed boxes for our gas masks, recognizing that Hitler would send no warning!







YEAR 3 TRIP TO MLANGO FARM

Year 3 visited Mlango farm in Limuru. The children were so excited to explore the farm, sampling and smelling all the fresh produce. They discovered so much about plant processes and how fruit and vegetables are essential for a healthy lifestyle. Everyone agreed the best part was cuddling the

fluffy bunnies!







Year 3 have been learning about the skeleton. We have sung songs, drawn skeletons and labelled each other with the names of some of the bones.

















In Humanities the Year 2s are really enjoying learning about the ancient Wonders of the World. We learnt all about The Hanging Gardens of Babylon. We created our own versions of these ancient gardens and in Art we went on a scavenger hunt looking for leaves and petals to decorate them.



Year 2 had a Numeracy lesson to further our understanding of division. In PSHE, 2OG we worked

in teams to create an end product.



YEAR 1 TRIP TO OCEAN SOLE



In Humanities, the children enjoyed assuming the role of television presenters to deliver a segment titled "Facts about China". In Science, we made Observational Art work of plants.

We also spent some time with Rosa this Wednesday to discuss our Well-Being. We learned that we can see the good in ourselves even when we have challenges through thinking positively and

having a "can do" attitude.













Thank you...

Thank you Paul, for all your support in Year 3 and 4 classes- and for always making time to play football with the Lower School children during break times.

Mrs Rogers

PEGASUS EARLY YEARS RECEPTION

In Maths this week we have been learning about odd and even. We had to sort out Mr Radcliffe's socks onto the washing line into even pairs. We had great fun!!











NURSERY 2

Valentine's Day came early to Nursery 2. Happy Red Day!







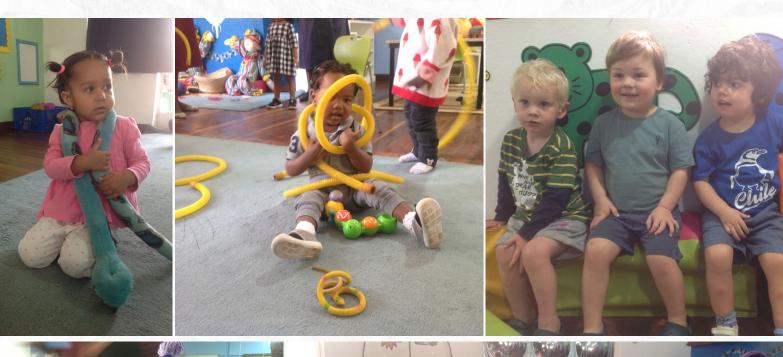
NURSERY 1

Nursery 1 children explored different painting techniques as they continue to develop their fine motor skills by using different stamps.



RISING STARS

... we wondered what animals we could find in the jungle.









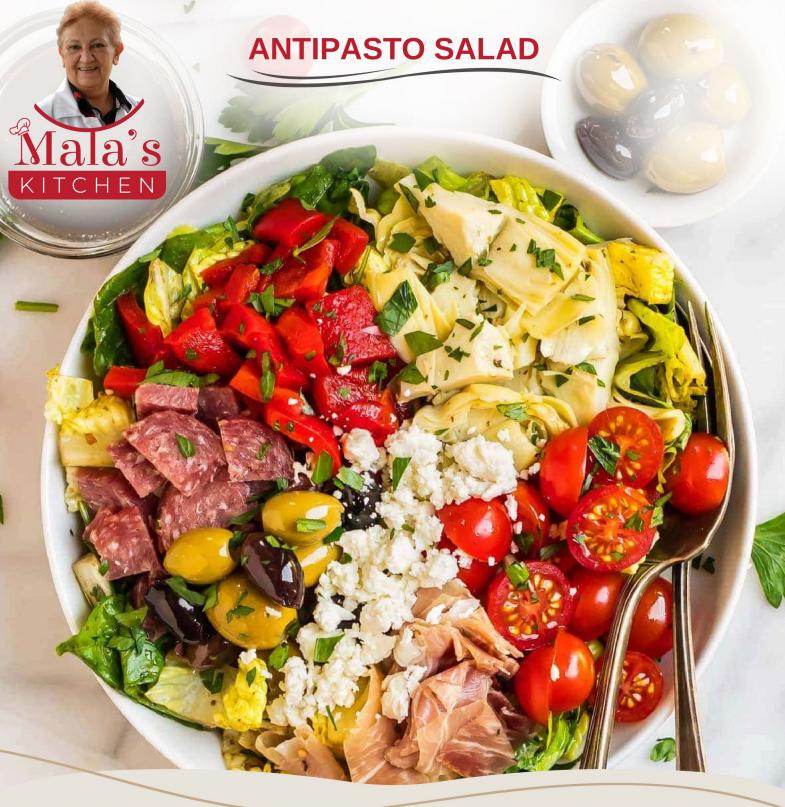




WEEK 7	MENU	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MORNING	BREAK	Honey Pancakes & Fruit	Cake & Fresh Fruit	Sandwiches & Fruit	Cheese Straws & Carrot Sticks	Home Made Flapjacks & Fresh Fruit
LUNCH:	SOUP			Cream of Tomato Soup		
	MAINS	Beans & Carrot Goulash	Roast Chicken	Beef Pilau	Spaghetti Bolognaise	Sandwich Bar Assorted Meats
	VEGGIE	Paneer & Pea Curry	Vegetable Croquets	Green Lentil Pilau	Vegetable Lasagne Vegan Lasagne	Cheese, Eggs Salads
	SIDES	Tortilla Wraps GF Tortilla Wraps	Parsley Potatoes Spinach Gravy	Yogurt Sauce Kachumbari	Corn on the Cob	Jacket Potatoes Baked Beans in Tomato Sauce Butter
	DESSERT MAIN SCHOOL	Fruit Salad	lce Cream Fresh Fruit	Fruit Platter	Pineapple in Golden Syrup Biscuit Crumble	Yogurt Fresh Fruit
	DESSERT	Fruit Salad	Yogurt & Biscuit Crumble Fruit	Fruit Platter	Pineapple in Golden Syrup Biscuit Crumble	Yogurt Fresh Fruit

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



Ingredients

- Romaine lettuce, chopped (used as the base for this Italian Salad)
- Black olives, halved
- Cherry tomatoes, sliced in half
- · Mozzarella cheese balls, sliced in half
- Young Gouda cheese, cut into cubes
 Garlic salami

- · Green olives, halved
- Red peppers, cut into squares
- Mini pepperoni
- Artichoke hearts

Method

- Toss romaine, olives, tomatoes, pepperoni, red peppers, salami, mozzarella, artichoke hearts, and young Gouda cheese in a large bowl.
- In a small bowl, whisk together the olive oil, lemon juice, and seasoning to make the lemon olive oil dressing.
- Pour the dressing over the salad and toss to combine.
- This salad can be made a day before serving. Additionally, sliced mushrooms, anchovies, and chopped celery
 can be added if desired.

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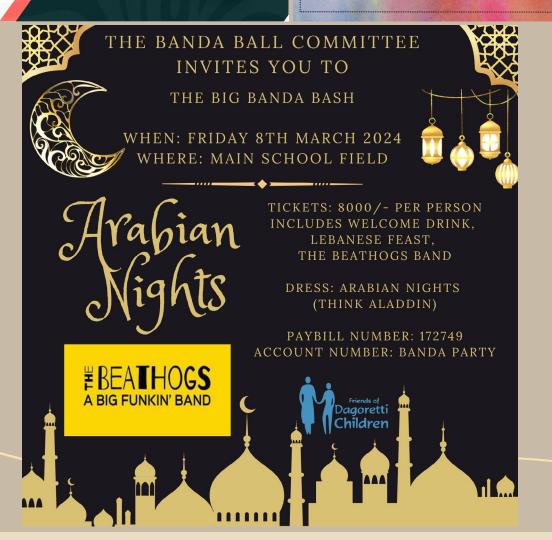
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