



Celebrating 60 Years

Spirit of The Banda

Friday 3rd July 2026



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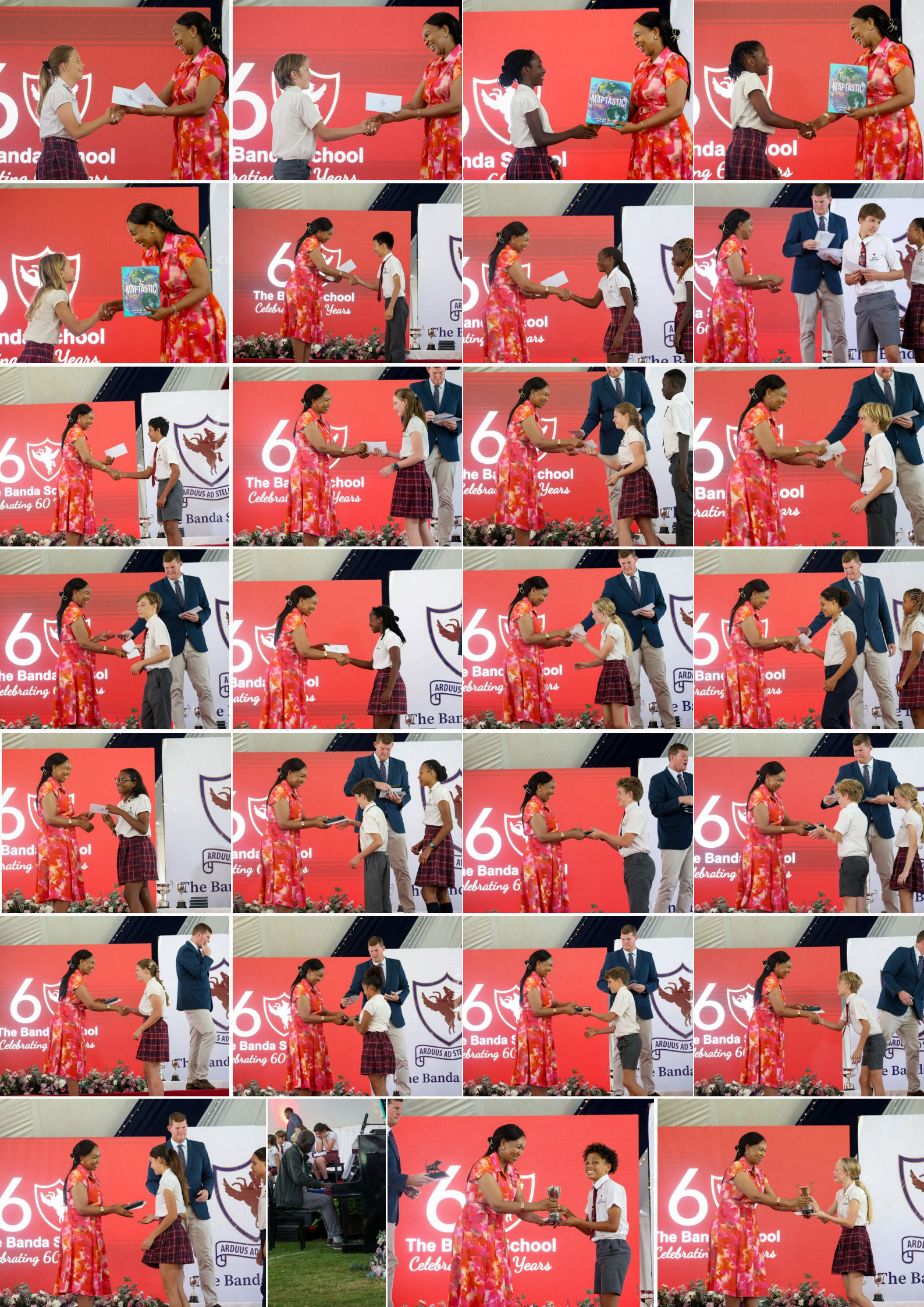
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COMPULSORY FOR THE SESSION – EQUIPMENT LIST:
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- ATTACKING & DEFENSIVE SKILLS
- SHOOTING PRINCIPLES
- GAME PLAY

DETAILS

- VENUE: BANDA ASTROTURF
- AGES: YEAR 3 – YEAR 8
- TIMINGS: MORNING SESSIONS 8.30AM–11AM
- DATES: WEDS 26TH AUGUST &/OR FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST
- COST: 4,000 KSHS. PER SESSION PER CHILD

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Book Box Recommendations for Holiday Reading



We asked all Banda children for their favourite books of all time.

Here they are!

If you need something to read over the holidays, why not try something your peers have loved?

Pegasus Early Years

Lazy Lion	Mwenye Hadithi
Tinga Tale Stories	Claudia Lloyd
Tiger Who Came to Tea	Judith Kerr
Gruffalo & The Everywhere Bear	Julia Donaldson
About Mermaids	Izzy Quinn
Stomper	Olivier Dunrea
Giraffes Can't Dance	Giles Andreae
Guess How Much I Love You	Sam McBratney
The Forever Tree	Wangari Grace
The Tale of the Castle Mice	Michael Bond
Pirates Love Underpants	Claire Freedman
Woolf	Alex Latimer
Go Home Cheeky Animals	Johanna Bell and Dion Beasley
Hello Trees	Bailey Bezuidenhout

Years 1 and 2

Rapunzel	Sarah Gibb
Ruby Red Shoes	Kate Knapp
I Have Ants in My Pants	Julia Cook
Ruby's Worry	Tom Percival
Rushing River	Penny Dolan and Kirsten Richards
The Three Little Pigs	Ladybird read it yourself
Where is Jasiri?	More Africa Series
Aliens Love Underpants!	Claire Freedman & Ben Cort
A Goat Called Willow	Helen Peters
The Giraffe And The Pelly And Me	Roald Dhal
The Dot	Peter H Reynolds
Little Tigers	Jo Weaver
The Secret of Black Rock	Joe Todd
The Detective Dog	Julia Donaldson



Years 3 and 4

I Am A Nigerian In Music	Foluke Oyeleye
Tom Gates - Everything Amazing	Liz Pichon
Fantastic Mr Fox	Roald Dhal
Harry Potter	J.K. Rowling
Flying Fergus	Chris Hoy
The Boy Who Grew Dragons	Andy Shepherd
The Sheep-Pig	Dick King Smith
Peter Pan	JM Barrie
Football School	Alex Bellos and Ben Lyttleton
The Magic Faraway Tree	Enid Blyton
The Famous Five	Enid Blyton
The Tale of Despereaux	Kate DiCamillo
Charlotte's Web	EB White
Malala's Magic Pencil	Malala Yousafzai
The Secret Lake	Karen Inglis



Years 5 and 6



Pig Heart Boy	Malorie Blackman
Running Wild	Michael Morpurgo
Nanny Piggins	R. A. Spratt
Amari and the Metalwork Menace	BB Alston
Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief	Rick Riordan
The Boy Underwater	Adam Baron
Horrible Histories series	Terry Deary and others
The Last Diary of Leonardo's Paint Mixer	Alexandra Parsons
Murder Most Unladylike	Robin Stevens
The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe	C.S. Lewis
Simply the Quest	Maz Evans
Willard Price Adventures	Hal and Rodger Hunt
The Shark Caller	Zillah Bethell
The Explorer	Katherine Rundell

Happy Reading!
See you next
year!

Years 7 and 8



Warrior Boy	Virginia Clay
Animal Farm	George Orwell
Where the World Ends	Geraldine McCaughrean
Goodnight Mister Tom	Michelle Magorian
Dead in the Spotlight	Robin Stevens
October October	Katya Balen
The Other Side of Truth	Beverley Naidoo
Chinese Cinderella	Merin lee Ha
The Golden Compass	Philip Pullman
Gone	Michael Grant
Seacrow Island	Astrid Lindgren
Friday Barnes	R. A. Spratt



AMREF

We were delighted to visit AMREF Headquarters last month. They welcomed us warmly and gave us a tour of all their medical facilities, highly advanced equipment and operations systems. The Banda has a long standing relationship with AMREF who provide first class medical care and cover for both staff and pupils here at The Banda. As detailed in a recent letter communicated to all parents, we are delighted that they have also upgraded the extent of the medical cover they provide for all our pupils from September.



TENNIS REPORT

The Under 12 category of the Bumblebees Tennis Tournament took place on Saturday, with four Banda boys representing the school in the competition. The tournament featured strong performances and excellent sportsmanship throughout the day. Congratulations to Atticus Steyn (4DM), who emerged as the overall winner of the Under 12 category.



YEAR 8

The past few weeks have provided our Year 8 pupils with a fitting end to their journey at Banda, filled with opportunities to learn, explore and grow. This week, pupils visited Ololo Sirikoi, where the boys donated football boots to the local community as part of their campaign to raise awareness of men's mental health. A huge thank you to everyone who generously donated boots. Your kindness and support made a real difference. Alongside this, our pupils have led a number of meaningful awareness projects. The girls worked hard to raise both funds and awareness for women's menstrual health, while the boys focused on promoting conversations around men's mental health. These projects encouraged pupils to think beyond themselves and consider how they can make a positive impact within the wider community. Pupils also dedicated time to planning and delivering their Enterprise Project, developing business ideas, managing budgets, designing products and activities, and showcasing their entrepreneurial skills. Enterprise Day was another tremendous success, with younger pupils thoroughly enjoying the wide range of stalls and activities on offer.

Throughout the Post-Common Entrance Programme, pupils benefited from an inspiring programme of guest speakers, who shared their experiences and expertise across a wide range of fields, including conservation, the creative industries, entrepreneurship, law, farming, and personal resilience. These talks encouraged pupils to think broadly about the many opportunities and pathways available to them in the future. The programme also included memorable educational visits to the Museum of Illusions and Meyer's Farm, providing opportunities for pupils to learn beyond the classroom while enjoying valuable time together as a year group.

It has been a wonderful few weeks, and we have seen our Year 8 pupils grow in confidence, maturity and independence. They have embraced every opportunity, broadened their horizons, and created lasting memories. We are incredibly proud of all they have achieved and wish them every success as they begin the next stage of their educational journey.







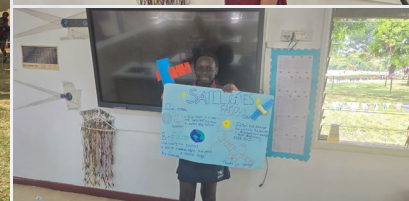
YEAR 7

In Year 4, Elsy planted a seed and nurtured that seedling up to today in Year 7 when it is taller than she is. This week, with the help of our lovely Banda gardeners and a little help from the Sustainability Committee, Elsy planted this tree at The Banda.



YEAR 5

As the culmination of their Space topic, Year 5 pupils completed individual projects showcasing their learning and creativity.





In Kiswahili, Year 5 learnt about Gede, a medieval Swahili settlement along the Kenya coast. They looked at 3D simulations of the ruins, developed by the Zamani Project, and were able to 'virtually' walk through the ruins and imagine what life would have been like in this small, cosmopolitan town. The advantage of working from home was that they were then able to re-imagine the ruins in a material of their choice.



Year 5 have been working hard writing Just So Stories; inspired by the stories Rudyard Kipling wrote for his children. This week, 5MeV shared their stories with students in Pegasus. These stories, like Tinga Tinga Tales, are about how animals came to have their characteristics and were meant to be read aloud, so it was lovely to be able to do that with such a keen audience.



YEAR 3

Green fingers in Year 3! It has been lovely to see progress updates on the plants that the children planted after our trip to Mlango farm way back in Term 2. Madison's sunflowers are almost as tall as a double story building!



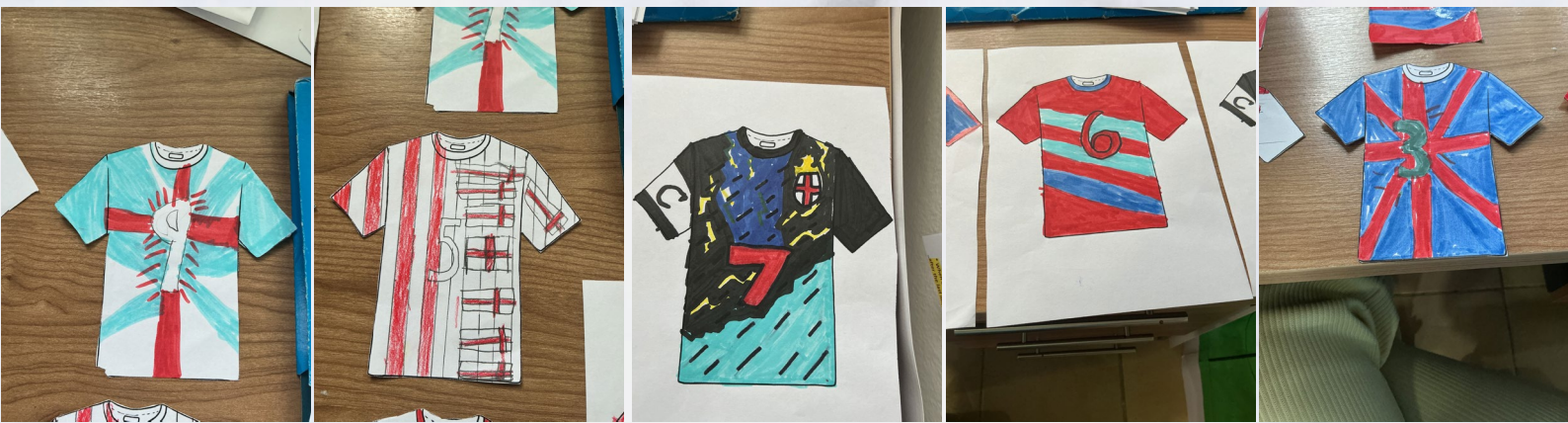
The Year 3 Pirates had a great day of ship building in the stormy seas, making telescopes to watch out for any invaders, many different canon ball games, singing sea shanties and with no gambling on deck, we played a board game. They all looked amazing.





YEAR 2

2FA pupils designed their own English t-shirt designs to celebrate their win against DR Congo and then made friendship bracelets for each other. Happy Summer from all of us at Year 2!





YEAR 1

This week in Humanities, Year 1 enjoyed making pizzas to end our topic all about 'Italy'. We were also Superheroes for a day.



RECEPTION

We created a linear map showing our journey to school. The children thought about landmarks they pass and shared their routes with each other using a toy car and target vocabulary like next, then, and finally.



NURSERY 2

We consolidated our learning in maths by exploring repeating patterns, measurement, and weight.





NURSERY 1

We ended the term in style with a fantastic mix of fun-filled indoor and outdoor activities. From creative classroom experiences to exciting games and adventures outdoors, the children enjoyed every moment, celebrating a wonderful year of learning, laughter, and friendship before heading off for a well-deserved summer holiday.



RIISING STARS

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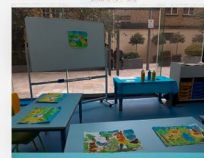
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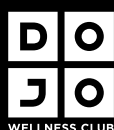
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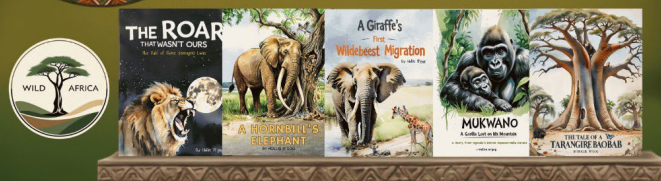


Meet Hollie M'gog

Author & Wildlife Guide

Born in Kenya, Hollie is a guide, educator and now
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passionate about bringing the African wilds to
children across the world.

Join her at Spinners Web in Nairobi as she releases
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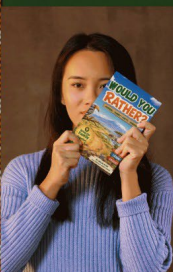
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