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# MARIE NURSERY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



## GREEN GROWTH AND GRATITUDE:

In the past year, many positive developments have taken place at the school in Chikola. The main reason for this is the increasing use of water for the cultivation of vegetables and fruits.



In addition, over 120 trees were planted during the summer and are thriving well thanks to irrigation. At this point, we would like to express our heartfelt thanks once again to everyone who participated in the tree planting initiative – by the way, the initiative is still ongoing.

The school grounds and surrounding area are transforming into a green oasis in an otherwise very dry region.

# MEMORABLE VISIT

Our Swiss Partners visit last fall was an incredible experience: The travel group received a warm, colorful, and loud welcome; everything the school has to offer was proudly shown to them.

There were dances performed by women and children, gifts were distributed, and the highlight was a feast for well over a hundred people.

The children demonstrated what they have learned, visibly enjoying the entire spectacle.

The positive energy of this event still accompanies our partners and strengthens their commitment to furthering the development of the school, especially as it increasingly becomes a vital village center.

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*Lameck regularly invites gatherings where various matters are discussed, especially those concerning mothers*  
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## NEW PROJECTS



## SCHOOL LUNCH

During the visit, we discussed the children's nutrition, which is often one-sided, with the school team.

Therefore, we decided to provide the children with a healthy lunch and deliberated on the costs and additional work it would entail.

In a survey conducted by Lameck, about half of the families said they could pay for it. Others, on the other hand, will assist with cooking and contribute in that way.

## READING COURSE FOR MOTHERS

A new initiative is the idea of establishing a reading course for mothers, as some have already inquired about such an opportunity. They want to support their children with schoolwork, acknowledging the crucial importance of education.

We will launch a pilot course in March, and it will reveal the level of interest. We already have a dedicated and well-trained teacher on-site, Tekla Nshunju. She has covered for Happiness and Grace during their maternity leaves and is highly motivated to contribute to improving the situation of women.

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***“Women are the pillars of family and society – I will give my all to ensure the success of this project.” Tekla***

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# BENEFIZKONZERT

Charity concert before Christmas featuring Britten's "Ceremony of Carols" beautifully performed by;

THE THREE-VOICE WOMEN'S CHOIR  
AND THE HAPIST.

There was instrumental music for cello and harpsichord, and our Swiss Partner (Marie-Rose Ley) had the opportunity to introduce the school to an interested audience of over 120 people.

An all-around harmonious evening filled with many positive emotions and a beautiful net profit of around CHF 8000!

Our gratitude goes to all participants on and behind the stage who made this concert possible, and of course, to the attendees who turned out in large numbers:

Asante sana, also from Tanzania!



# GALLERY

