

SATHYA SAI SCHOOL Kisaju (Sri Sathya Sai Education Trust- Kenya)

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CHRONOLOGY

JAN 2010

Top Sathya Sai School Student from Class of 2009 -Augustonyi Moi, accorded full sponsorship from Starehe Boys Centre, including boarding.

FEB 2010

An Educational expert Mr. Wahome visited the school, to give a talk on strategies to ensure good results.

MAR 2010

Kajiado County Council Inspector visited the school, and was happy to hear about the impact of SSEHV program in transformation of Character Building.

APR 2010

Board of Directors formed sub-committees, which will assist in the smooth running of the school. The subcommittees are, Farming, Environment, Maintenance & Sports.

JUL 2010

Team from Area Education Office visited the school to assess the school's progress.

Academia

Outstanding Achievement

Sathya Sai School-Kisaju, was awarded by the Education Ministry on 28th May 2010 with a trophy and certification for the "1st Position in the most improved category-Isinya Division".

K.C.P.E National exams

Our school gentlemen have continued to excel in their studies and we pray to our Lord to give them strength and guide us all through this noble task. The candidates did the school proud with 100% pass mark and successfully joined various secondary schools countrywide. Appended the analysis of the KCPE National Exams Results.

SUBJECT	Α	A-	B+	В	B-	C+	С	C-	D	
ENGLISH	3	2	2	2	2	4	1	-	-	16
KISWAHILI	-	2	2	2	2	7	1	1	-	16
MATHS	4	2	1	1	1	2	3	1	1	16
SCIENCE	-	1	2	5	1	3	3	1	-	16
S.S.C.R.E	-	2	3	1	5	1	4	-	-	16
TOTAL	7	9	10	11	11	17	12	3	1	

Average total score 320 points, Mean percentage 64%, Overall Grade B

Farming

Young Farmers busy in their scheduled farming activities,

thereby sustaining the school's kitchen requirements. The Fruit Orchards have been extended. The students have planted



mulberries, grape fruits, passion fruits cultured bananas and sugarcane.

Environment

Love is God - Live in Love

Love as thought is Truth

Love as action is Right Conduct

Love as Understanding is Peace

Love as feeling is Non-violence



Taking advantage of the current rainy season, our busy environmentalists have planted over 3000 plants, namely; bougainvillea, kie apple, honeysuckle, Jasmin, queen of night, nandi flame, yellow bush, lantana, terminellia amongst others. The students are involved in establishing flower nurseries and retaining a hygienic serene environment.



Maintenance

Our practical students now maintain their own class room furniture. The students are also tought on various aspects of maintenance such as painting, plumbing and joinery.



New green house project





Two new Green Houses were added to the Sai School Farm. The Green House project will assist in educating our students on using the latest technologies of farming which include use of hybrid seeds, drip irrigation and production of vegetables under protection.

Some of the major advantages of using Green house technology are:

- · conservation of water
- · high yield of harvests per square meter
- less use of chemicals and pesticides.

Various crops such as tomatoes, hot green & red chilies, sweet peppers, butternut, baby corn, zucchini are being transplanted and we should start harvesting by end of August.

Enhancement of the school's infrastructure

The School board has embarked on a major construction exercise

On going construction works involve;

- New sewerage reticulation works
- New septic tank of capacity 144 cubic meter
- New storm water collection and drainage system
- New rain water harvesting tank of capacity 144 cubic meter
- Basement—retaining walls and external covered corridors
- Vocational training facilities
- Multipurpose hall proposed.



Inquisitive students requested the school's management for lessons to enhance their knowledge of the ongoing building construction works. Series of practical talks with onsite observations are being conducted. These talks will continue until the construc-

tion works are over and will embrace all construction methodology and material science. It's a good learning platform for our future young architects and engineers.



Human values garden

Students and staff conduct Human Values lessons and study circles under this serene and peaceful edifice, which has become a popular picnic spot also for visitors. Students also maintain the landscaping including exotic plants, creepers and indigenous trees, helping them gain additional knowledge and skills.



Computer lessons

The school has a well established computer lab. Students from classes 3 to 8 are taught computer skills, and regularly attempt computer tests.



Sports

"All work no play makes Jack a dull boy."

In Sathya Sai School, the students are encouraged to take part in sports. Our students performed extremely well and made the school proud in the inter zonal games. Basketball, play station, athletics, football, physical education. Inter school football matches are being organized .





S.S.S.Kisaju ex-students association [Alumni]

The Alumni Association has been formed and the main objective is to develop and create a strong bond between the ex-students and the entire school fraternity. The school endeavour's to keep track of the ex-students' achievements and the impact that SSEHV training has had on them. The creation of the alumni association will also benefit the current students to emulate the success and character upliftment of the ex-students. The alumni plans to maintain regular communication with the school and that they will attend major school functions such as Teachers Day & Founders Day.

Trip to the national park-animal orphanage and safari walk, 3rd july 2010



Disciplined and eagerly awaiting to enter



The endangered white rhino conversing with our gentlemen



Excitement to see the cheetahs

The School arranged an Educational Trip to the National Park on Langata Road. Students woke up early in the morning, had their bath, conducted *Nagarsankirtan* [singing God's glory] around the school campus, had a healthy breakfast and boarded the buses leaving Kisaju at 7.30am. Buses arrived at KWS headquarters at 9.30am. Starting off with the animal orphanage, all 180 students had an enjoyable day watching wild animals and birds. They ventured on to the Safari Walk, after which they were served lunch at 1.30pm. At 3.30pm they left for the school and reached at 4.30pm.it was indeed a very memorable trip.

One of the students Reagan Okoth, said "it was a wonderful

experience. Our journey was relaxed, exciting and enjoyable. At the park we saw different beautiful orphaned animals. We observed the different characteristics of the animals. At lunch time we had a nice meal. We then came back to school, safe and sound with more information about animals. It was like a sweet dream!



King of the jungle "Simba" was awaiting Sai's students.





The majestic crane posing for our students



Taking notes of the unique animal features



Enjoying a sumptuous lunch

Mysterious ways of our Lord



Our students discovered a one day old baby Gazelle in the school's compounds. The students took care and fed milk to the new born baby Gazelle for two weeks. Coinciding with the school trip, the gazelle travelled in the same bus with our students. The School's Board handed over the baby Gazelle to the Kenya Wildlife Services personnel. We are informed that the baby gazelle will be taken care of in the animal orphanage.

E.H.V diploma training course for teachers conducted by TAISSE

Introductory level 12-23rd April 2010

The first introductory course was conducted by Bro. Rogers as the moderator along with Dr. Victor Krishna Kanu from TAISSE. The course covered prophecies of the advent of Sri Sathya Sai Baba from Vishnu Puran, Islamic scriptures, Nostradamus [Psychic], Christianity, Sri Aurobindo [Yogi] etc.

Selected teachings of Bhagwan Sri Sathya Sai Baba were discussed;

- "There is only one Caste
- "There is only one Religion
- "There is only one Language
- "There is only one God
- The Caste of Humanity",
- The Religion of Love",
- the Language of the Heart"
- He is Omnipresent"

God exists – He is Omnipresent, Omniscient and Omnipotent, The whole universe is his reflection

"Love All - Serve All" - "Love is God - Live in Love"

The philosophies of the Satya Sai Education which are Educare and Integral Education were discussed. The five teaching techniques were mentioned;

- 1. Silent sitting
- 2. Quotation and prayers
- **3.** Story telling
- 4. Group singing
- **5.** Group activities

Teachers conception of the introductory E.H.V diploma course

The Acting Head Teacher - Simon Odera

The program is unique and helpful in making us realize our role as good teachers. I have learnt to be a good role model for the children. The TAISSE course has assisted in my character building.

Std 3 Teacher - Valence Kimaru

It was an interesting and educating session. It will enable us to be value oriented enlightening us on the importance of human values

We have also learnt that all mankind is one and are equal in God's sight. God dwells in all of us. Values are inherent but it is upon mankind to illicit them and co-exist with everyone. The second level of the course will be conducted in August 2010.

Parents meeting

Parents meetings was held on Sat 27th February & 28th may. Issues addressed, discussed and agreed.

- 1. Discipline to be more responsible parents.
- Regularity try to attend all parents meetings and school events.
- 3. Punctuality parents were requested to be punctual at all school events. Children should report on time and be collected on time as per the school timetable and regulations.
- **4.** Parenting parents were requested to be good role models for their children.
- S.S. EHV try to practice the human values at home and furthermore extend the same to the neighborhood, relatives and friends.



Sathya Sai schools – models for self transformation

Excerpts from Sri Sathya Sai Educare part II book 8 page 8/16

"The actual syllabus is not so important as the creation of an atmosphere where noble habits and ideals can grow and fructify" – Sri Sathya Sai

 The school should be situated in an ambiance of greenery / natural environment, having vast areas for trees to grow, children to play and birds to fly around

- The school should be residential for all students and their teachers, as this will promote a healthy relationship between the student and teachers. There will be minimum distraction from the outside world in terms of television, newspapers etc. Moreover, the habits of "early to bed and early to rise", group prayers and meditation are possible only in a residential school.
- The teachers need to be carefully selected, in order to ead the children to the correct path.
- The teacher should have a good understanding of child psychology and development. It is now recognized that there are many dimensions of development-intelligence, emotional, moral etc.
- Students should take part in Hostel and school assembly, classroom cleanliness and display, library management.
- The curriculum has to be an integration of secular knowledge and skills, along with the practices of spiritual discipline. Each activity, each academic subject, gains as well as contributes through the synergy principle.

Teachers and students corner

Mr. Cyrus Murigi – Class 5 Teacher

Sathya Sai Education in Human Values (SSEHV) is good programme designed for all people regardless of their religion, tribe or nationality. E.H.V is a people friendly programme because it emphasizes on the good qualities within all people. These qualities are also inherent. I have seen the values drastically change my life for the better.

They have also helped me to learn the importance of amicably coexisting with others. Indeed E.H.V encourages people to be better human beings in thoughts, words and deeds. May God bless our school. May God bless the entire Sathya Sai Community.

Reagan Ochieng – Class 5 student

My name is Reagan Ochieng. I am in Std 5. I joined this school in 2006. When I joined, I was surprised to see pupils behaving in a good manner. I started to learn the human values and learnt to tell the truth and not hurt anyone. I thank my teachers very much for assisting me in the E.H.V programme. I also thank God that I have changed as Baba says "The end of Education is Character".

How can i help?

- By contributing to the School's Food Bank for the ever increasing rations and food stuff.
- By contributing Text books, Stationery, Teaching Aids & any other requirements of the School.
- By extending any type of assistance in the running of the School.
- By contributing to a student's sponsorship program.

"Education is the best gift you can give a child" - BABA

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Message from our founder

Of all the professions, the teacher's profession has to adhere utmost to the ideal of truth. When teachers stray from truth, society meets with disaster. Thousands of tender children, unacquainted with the ways of the world, pass through their hands. The impact of their teachings and their personality will be great and lasting. Therefore, the teacher has to be free from bad habits, for children automatically adopt the habits and manners of elders. This is an ever-present danger. When the evil influence is directed towards the thousands who receive the impact, the society gets polluted.

-BABA