

NEWSLETTER

EDGAR LUNGU NATIONAL

STEM SCHOOL



Motto: Success Through Hard Work

TERM ONE(1) 2025 UPDATES

FROM THE HEADTEACHER



Dear Parents Guardians and Sponsors,

I am delighted to share with you culminated highlights of our achievement and activities for term one 2025; as some of you may be aware, quite a number of updates were given in the course of the term.

The just ended term was marked by significant progress in our production unit, where the staff together with the learners worked tirelessly to cultivate maize and beans. Our vegetable garden was also expanded. The expansion in

production unit reduced our reliance on external supplies of some boarding requisites

In addition to academic pursuit, our students have participated in various extracurricular activities and community service initiative, including volunteer work at the local clinic.

However, I would also like to address an important aspect of our academic performance. While many of our students have shown excellent progress, some learners are facing challenges as evidenced by the mid-term results and the end of term that you have received. I want to assure you that our staff are working tirelessly to identify areas of improvement and provide targeted support to the pupils.

We are committed to working hard to bring our learners' performance to the desired standard and we value your continued support in this endeavour.

During the holiday, I urge you to review the parenting tips included in this newsletter, designed to support your child's growth and development.

I am proud of our students and staff hard work and dedication. I look forward to yet another progressive term

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Production unit;

Notable achievements

Our learners and staff worked together to-

- ✓ Plant maize on 2 hectares of land and it is thriving. Expected yield
- ✓ Plant beans on 1 hectare. Expected yield
- ✓ Sunflower 1 hectare. Expected yield



The garden as of 15th April 2025 1

- ✓ Expanded the vegetable gardening. The spring onion donated by one parent is doing very well and is helping cushion the budget for onion learners are involved in production unit.
- ✓ Improved stock in the tuck-shop. Under home economics, more freshly cooked food is sold.
- ✓ Of the 9 cattle, 3 are pregnant

Impact of PU!

Step forward in our ultimate goal to be self-sustaining and self-reliant. The harvest will provide consumption for boarding section. Skills building in our learners and promotes sense of ownership.

Future plans:

restock the cattle kraal with sizeable animals to grow for multiplication and also groom for boarding consumption, in this way quality will be ensured. Continue expanding vegetable garden till we reach 100% self-reliance.

Health

- A bad wave swept the school which saw 70 down with flu and coughs. This was well managed as we saw to it that each pupil took medication as prescribed and completed the course.
- The school has continued to see a reduction in stomach upsets from the time food stuffs such as mayonnaise, cooking oil, spices and sauces were banned.
- There was also a reduction in vaginal itches as a result of the school's initiative to it mandatory that each female learner came with Jik.
- The major illnesses experienced were malaria and coughs.
- Abscess though not common but is a source of worry. It is assumed that the few that had them was as a result of the roll on. It is a matter that the school will monitor investigate and put corrective measures in place.
- A few learners were recommended for HBC. By the end of the, only two learners were still at home for specialized treatment. One had a tissue injury after falling down and the other was a case of malaria.

Extracurricular activities

"All work without play makes Jim and Jill a dull boy and girl"

Learners were exposed to both academic and none academic activities outside the class.



Doctors week! A visit by a team of doctors who gave health talk to the learners



Treat of home cooked meal/braai is always good for the learners and also helps fundraise for various projects around the school. term 1 fundraise was for extension of solar to the classrooms



Friday evenings were characterized by academic entertainment ranging from quizzes to paper presentations-transforming academic knowledge into practical skill.



The learners punctuated youth week with community service at the local clinic. The actual day was packed with various activities showcasing learners' talents. The height of activities was the crowning of MR and

School Jets Fair

Jets is an important feature of the curriculum. Though it is an ongoing activity at our school, the climax of it is when learners compete from school level all the way to the national level. As a way of preparing them for high level competitions, they compete among themselves displaying various talent and skills



Cosmetology!!! There is our very own 'Mario' make-up artist



***Civil and mechanical engineering.** The young engineers are quite passionate about grounding their knowledge. They have formed a "young engineers club and are looking for sponsorship to do their magic around the school.*



There lies our Solution to load shedding.... alternative power projects! solar energy using razor blades and magnetism by the head boy



photo session with all participants that scoped 1st, 2nd, and 3rd position in jets

Sports

The school held inter-house athletic competition.



Sporting activities include chess. The girls and boys competed favourably

Prefecture



The prefecture was part of the orientation team of the form ones and grade 10s. here the head girl is presenting on school daily routine. A photo taken after the orientation. Other orientations in the term included roles and duties of prefects and class monitors and various periodic meetings with learners.

Discipline

One boy was issued with open transfer for sexual harassment and two boys sent home for parental guidance for 2 weeks.

Note: counselling and guidance is ongoing. Group and individual counselling for both academic, social and psychological issues to help learners maintain balance in life were conducted.

Teachers comer!!!!

Commemorated national events and attended various capacity building programs



Women's day celebration!



Teacher exchange program (NS dept)



ZATE provincial conference (DT dept)

Other programs attended

- ✓ Competence based curriculum orientation

What to look forward to next term

- ✓ Trip to Mfuwe for geography class
- ✓ Jets district and provincial fairs
- ✓ District and provincial spotting activities
- ✓ District Mock examinations for examination classes

Challenges

The bridge was impassable at some point during the term and we had to use the longer and more difficult route to reach the BOMA. This meant spending more on fuel. Thanks to concerted effort of the PTC, parents, school administration, local civic leadership and the council that worked together to make the bridge passable.

Parenting tips during holiday

- *Spend quality time with the children*
- *Listen to them, be objective and help them through their challenges*
- *Ensure thorough check of their health*
- *Teach them respect and fear of another people's property*
- *Teach them to be smart, not leaving items carelessly, fold and pack appropriately*
- *Teach them not to be wasteful, any left-over food to be preserved and eaten later*
- *Let them manage chores around the home, wash their own clothes, wash plates, sweep, cook etc.*
- *Let them bath cold water*
- *Go to church with them*
- *Check whom they hang out with*
- *Check what they do on their phones*
- *Teach them to communicate effectively*
- *Let them apportion good amount of time on research and holiday assignments*