

PRIZE GIVING DAY SPEECH DELIVERED ON THURSDAY 2ND AUGUST 2018 AT LORETO CONVENT MSONGARI PRIMARY SCHOOL GROUNDS

Our Guest of Honour Dr. Christine Murungi (Obstetrician&Gynecologist-Chogoria Mission Hospital) Our Province Leader; Sr. Jane Frances Mulongo, Our Education Secretary; Sr. Sophie; Our High School Principal; Mrs. Magdaline Mbugua; Sr. Maria Goretti, Superior Loreto Msongari Convent; dear parents, members of staff both teaching and non-teaching, pupils, invited guests, ladies and gentlemen; Good morning. A very warm welcome to each one of you and thank you for finding time to gather here this morning to celebrate the achievements of our girls. Karibuni sana Msongari na mjisikie mko nyumbani. Our theme today is 'Msongari; achieving excellence together'. The success we celebrate today is a result of the contribution of all stakeholders, that is; the teachers, parents and the main stake holder who is the pupil.

This Annual event is an occasion when we look back, take stock and acknowledge the fruits of our hard work over the past one year. It is a day we fete those who have shown progress in their work either in academics, in areas of co-curricular activities, leadership, talents, development as well as personality. It is a time to recognize the potential of all our girls because I believe each one of them is uniquely talented. Today, we will be recognizing and appreciating the contribution of many girls who have made this day worthwhile and encourage those who will not be awarded today, there is always another chance. We continue to thank God for all our girls for they are talented in different areas.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

K.C.P.E 2017

We presented a total of 37 candidates for the KCPE. The results were the best we've achieved in a while 11 girls scored over 400 marks .The top girl had 432 and the lowest 253. Together they raised a mean score of 357.6; a great improvement from 340 in 2016. We attribute this great performance to the cordial working relationship between the parents, pupils, teachers and administration. The eleven girls who did us proud are Emy Ngure, who attained the highest mark (432), Cynthia Muthoni, Virginia Kabaria, Shona Moraa, Tendai Nyaga, Valerie Gatwiri, Chantelle Sijenyi, Claire Anyango, Nikita Onyango, Neema Wambui, and Lavynne Lawino. Congratulations to the KCPE 2017 candidate class. You did us proud.

A. ANALYSIS PER MARK RANGE YEAR 2017

MARK RANGE	NO. OF PUPILS
400-500	11
350 – 399	10
300 – 349	10
250 – 299	6
200 – 249	NIL
Below 200	NIL

B. SUBJECT ANALYSIS (YEAR 2017 VS 2016)

	ENGLISH	MATHS	SCIENCE	SSTRE	KISWAHILI	TOTAL
2017	86.5	68.3	67.5	67.2	68.1	357.6
2016	78.0	71.0	63.00	65.00	63.0	340.0
DIFF	8.5	2.7	4.5	2,2	5.1	27.6

C. ANALYSIS OF TOP & LOWEST MARK ATTAINED (YEAR 2017, 2016, 2015)

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>HIGHEST</u>	<u>LOWEST</u>
2017	432	253
2016	417	164
2015	361	254

All subjects registered improvement English being most improved subject. Special thanks to Mr. Mwangi and the English department as well.

K.C.P.E 2018CLASS:

This year, we have registered 45 candidates. So far, the girls are settled and focused on their final exam. We continue to support them in prayer till they sit for KCPE. Girls, I must say that you have a great challenge, that of achieving a high mean score than last years' I know you can and you are up to the task. We are happy that we completed the syllabus in good time and have embarked on revision. We thank you teachers for the work you are doing with the girls and we wish them success as they prepare for the exams. Thank you Class 8 parents for your support.

The following measures have been put in place to ensure that we are on track;

- ❖ The girls attended a goal setting workshop at the beginning of the year to help them keep focus.

- ❖ The Panel Heads and subject teachers spend time with them to encourage and ensure they are on track.
- ❖ We have incorporated a resource person who takes the girls through composition writing to sharpen their composition writing skills.
- ❖ In third term, the girls will attend another workshop dubbed 'KCPE and beyond'.
- ❖ We had a check point meeting in May with the girls and their parents to ensure that we are all reading from the same page.
- ❖ The girls went for benchmarking at Juja Preparatory School in the month of June.
- ❖ We have appointed different teachers to walk with the girls as mentors.
- ❖ The girls also had a workshop dubbed, 'Super Camp Kenya'. It was a forum where they were taught a set of principles that helps students gain a sense of who they are and what they stand for. The 8 keys of excellence character building program is an experiential learning program that provides engaging, fun and effective activities for students that promote positive developmental outcomes.
- ❖ The girls have embarked on revision by using recommended supplementary revision books for different subjects.
- ❖ Extra classes (4:00 – 5:00pm) have been of great help
- ❖ In our preparation for our candidate class, the school organized a joint 'End of term Two' exam with St. Mary's School. The main aim is to prepare the girls and make them have a feel of KCPE STYLE EXAM ENVIRONMENT' now that MOCKS are a no go zone. Our girls did very well attaining a mean score of 330. These marks are standardized. We wish you well and continue to pray for you 2018 candidates.

OTHER CLASSES

Academic performance remains to be key and the school continues to monitor exams down with the aim of ensuring that we are all on track. The following are some of the strategies employed;

- Holding academic assemblies to release exam results, we celebrate those who have performed well and challenge the rest positively to do their best.
- Completing the syllabus in time.
- Talking to the girls on the value of hard work in class and at assemblies based on weekly themes.
- We set subject days whereby we give the girls a platform to display their talents on what they have learnt in different subjects.
- This year, we introduced a Mathematics Wednesday morning which is held in order to boost the Mathematics performance.
- At 1:15pm, the girls in classes 4 - 7 assemble in their classes and are guided on how to revise up to 2:00pm.
- We release exam result slips from Class 3 – 8 to enable in tracking performance.

LORETO COMMON EXAMS

The girls sat for their Inter-Loreto exam in Mid June – an exam done annually by 4 Loreto schools. The following girls were among the top ten in their various classes and subjects;

Std 4:

English:

Angel Kisuya

Kathoni Daniel,
Kiprono Jerop
Anita Waweru

Mathematics:

Terry Kobia,
Makhaela Olivia,
Mjombah Macho
Samara Ngugi,
Amani Shiundu,
AnisaGathogo,

Social Studies:

IgambiKadeiza
Danielle Kathomi,
JeropKiprono,
Anita Waweru,

Science

WanjiruKuria

SST/CRE:

GitagiaNankai.

In Class 5 the following girls were among the top ten,

English:

Ashley Kagwima
MwabonjeMukuhi
Layla Waithera
Hailey Nganga
Mukuria Nyambura
Georgina Taya

Jasmine Okoye
Lauryn Langat

Science:

Ashley Kagwima
Chantelle M

CRE:

AkweOmollo
Lauryn Langat
Layla Waithera
NjokiOmollo
Charity Murage.

Mathematics:

Ashley Kagwima
Lauryn
Aima Niqole

The outstanding performer in class 5 was Ashley Kagwima position 3 overall with 444marks.

In Std 6, the following were in the top ten;

English:

Shani Nyanyuki
Wanguidaiga

Kiswahili:

Eugenia Salano.

In Std 7, the following made it to the top ten, Loretta Onyango was 7th overall with 422 marks, in the subjects the breakdown is as follows;

English:

Loretta Onyango

Kiswahili:

Tamara Sakwa

Loretta Onyango

Science:

Wairimu Kamande

Amy Maina

SST:

Loretta Onyango

SST/CRE

Mbai Wangui

Loretta Onyango

Well done girls, congratulations for a job well done. Keep it up.

I also take this opportunity to congratulate the Std 4 Class; for posting very high mean scores. That's the way to go Class 4!!

SUBJECT DAYS:

MATHEMATICS DAY:

Our mathematics week was from January 27th to February 2nd 2018. The theme was 'Mathematics for life'.

During the week:

- All classes participated in quizzes, projects and oral work.
- On the material day, all classes displayed several skills in learning mathematics.
- One of our teachers Mr. Onyando gave some tips to the girls on how to perform well in mathematics.
He encouraged the girls to work extra hard in order to improve on their general performance.
- Ward house emerged winners. Congratulations!!!

SST DAY

Our SST was held on 5th March 2018, the theme being 'I care for my environment' in line with the emerging issues in climatic changes. It was a success as the girls had projects and presentations displayed in the hall and along the corridor. The day was crowned with a speech from a representative from the Oxford Publishers about the new constitution in the curriculum. What

a learning day! After the activities of the day, BORGIA HOUSE emerged winners.

CRE WEEK

We had a C.R.E week from Thursday 21st June – 27th June 2018. Our theme was, 'FOSTERING NATIONAL UNITY'. The girls were engaged in different activities which they participated in within the class levels following the theme given. Girls were involved in oral questions according to their houses. The results were as follows:-

- The girls had class presentation i.e. songs, bible verse, skits etc

We had presentations on the last day and the following classes emerged winners:- Classes with the best presentation were Class 3s, 5p and 6p while Borgia house took the lead in houses.

The guest speaker was Tr. Geoffrey who had a talk with the girls on how to foster National unity within Msongari Community and more engaged on how to relate with other people out of school.

KISWAHILI DAY

The panel has Kiswahili week every year. This year, the subject had its climax on Friday 8th June 2018. The girls were engaged in a number of activities which were geared towards improving listening and speaking skills. The panel had the occasion graced by renowned Kiswahili news anchor by the name Nimrod Taabu He was able to reach out to the girls and encourage the pupils to love and speak in Kiswahili.

As a build up towards the week and day, the school sent out the Class seven and eight girls to a workshop in Ngong. The workshop was for Msongari and LCVR held on the 24th of March 2018. The girls held an interactive and educative session with UstadhWallah Bin Wallah. It is important to note that these workshops are healthy in terms of changing perception and attitude towards the subject.

The panel has trophies as well which are used for recognizing individual girls effort and classes every week. As we continue to grow the subject, it is our hope that the sky is not the limit. We continue to set higher targets that will stretch the performance to the greatest heights ever. We thank the school administration for the unwavering support towards the panel over the years. Truly hard work pays, and 'KISWAHILI WAJIBU WANGU'.

ENGLISH:

We continue to boost our spoken English through well-organized Monday assembly presentations.

Spell it right: It is my pleasure to report that this year, the school had a chance to participate in a Nationwide 'Spell it right' contest. The contest took place at the Kenya National Library. We had five girls; Wangui Daiga, Kassandra Mburu, Shani Nyanyuki, Sonia Gesare and Lauryn Chelagat participating whereby Wangui Daiga of 6P made it to the semifinals. Congratulations girls and we appreciate you Tr. Lydia for organizing and helping the girls gain the confidence to represent the school in the contest, we are hoping for better performance in the subsequent year.

Reading culture: The school is so much concerned in the reading skills of the pupils. To boost this, we have embarked on a home-reading programme for the Lower classes where the girls carry home a story book each week. Great appreciation to the Panel Head and all teachers who are offering the guidance to the girls and motivating them to be excellent readers. We continue to encourage the girls in Upper Primary to visit the library and utilize the information materials available.

SCIENCE

Our 2018 **Science Week** was marked on **Monday 2nd July to Friday 6th July 2018**. This Year's Theme was; **BETTER SCIENCE, QUALITY LIFE** aiming at inspiring and creating awareness among the learners towards embracing and appreciating positive and constructive Scientific knowledge, skills and attitude in enhancing quality of life globally. The week began with brainstorming oral questions during Assemblies through to Inter-House Oral and Written Science Quiz Challenge in the classrooms.

During the Congress, the pupils seized the opportunity to exhibit and showcase their Scientific knowledge, skills and attitude in various Activities and Experiments in line with the Primary Science syllabus. The projects stretched from the simple FOOD AND NUTRITION to the complex HUMAN BODY SYSTEMS.

The Winners were identified and congratulated for Exemplary performance in their respective classes with WARD House being crowned the 2018 Science Champions.

To ALL the Science Teachers and the science Panel we appreciate your efforts in raising the standards of teaching Science in the School. God bless you!

COMPETENCE BASED CURRICULUM

The new curriculum (CBC) was launched last year (2017) by the Ministry of Education. The main aim of the curriculum is to help learners develop skills and knowledge and be able to apply the competencies acquired skills in real life situations.

Our school has embraced the new curriculum so that we are able to provide opportunities, identify and nurture our learners potential and talents as well as making learning enjoyable.

Our teachers have undergone an intensive training to equip them with skills that will enable them to facilitate learning hence they are now being referred to as facilitators and not teachers.

The New Curriculum is being implemented in the Pre Primary (Kindergarten) and the Lower classes, that is; Grade 1 & 2. The mode of assessment is different as it involves both summative and formative modes of assessment. We have been able to acquire textbooks which are in line with the new curriculum which has helped us make great progress in implementing the new curriculum. The curriculum involves a lot of activities and projects which calls for a lot of parental involvement as the learners attend to their homework which is an extension of what is learnt in class.

PEER COUNSELLOR'S

The Program is dedicated to assisting pupils by establishing one-on-one peer-mentoring relationships between pupils. The girls are empowered with basic counselling skills so as to be able to offer help to their peers effectively. It is also aimed at boosting their self-esteem . The group is also trained on peer counselling, bullying, peer pressure and confidentiality. Thank you Tr. Dianah for working hand in hand with our peer counselors.

MSMUN

This year's Middle School Model United Nations Annual Delegates Conference, being the 24th MSMUN Conference was held on Tuesday 16th January to Friday 19th January 2018 at the United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON) Gigiri. Our school was represented by a delegation of 20 girls and an Advisor (a teacher). At the conference, various global issues and challenges affecting humanity ranging from health to Technological, Environmental to Human rights as well as Security were tabled, debated and agreed on. The girls were blessed to interact, network, make new friends and expand International Awareness in line with the Conferences' Theme: NILIKUJA, NILIONA, NILITENDA. Our gratitude goes to our parents, the school administration and the MSMUN

Patrons, Mr. Mwangi and Mr. Onyando and our fellow pupils for their valuable support and guidance to enable us to realize this cause.

FAMILY FUN DAY:

Our Family fun day this year took place a little earlier than usual due to changes in the calendar of events to suit the new directives from the Ministry of Education. It was held on 4th of February 2018 in the school field. The event presents an opportunity for the entire Loreto family – pupils/students, their siblings, parents, teachers & Loreto Sisters who come together to strengthen the family bond. Our theme this year was ‘Msongari family game of life for mental wellness’

LINCOLN CLUB

This year, the members of the Lincoln Club have been active in different activities to enhance their leadership skills. Over the April holidays, the group went for a leadership training camp at Naromoru where they were taught how to be creative in solving different problems affecting the society they live in. The group has also attended a conference at Laico Hotel where they work on different projects for three days and later present their projects to their parents in the same hotel. Over the August holiday, the group is planning to interact with their counterparts from other schools and share ideas. Each day the members are growing to be good leaders in their own capacity.

KINDERGARTEN ACTIVITIES

The Kindergarten activity day was held on Friday, 23rd March 2018. The girls had an opportunity to display different talents resonating the diverse class activities. This included songs, poems, ballet, tennis among many. The theme for this year was ‘Kindergarten Easter Bunnies. The day was crowned by a beautiful skit which explained Jesus Christ’s great love manifested on the cross. Our Guest of Honour was Elizabeth Ndung’u – Director of E- learning Nairobi county. Thank you parents for turning up in big numbers. My appreciation goes to the Kindergarten teachers; Tr. Rose, Tr. Tabitha and Sr. Maureen. God Bless you for the beautiful work you do.

OPEN DAY:

In order to involve parents in academics; our open day took place on Friday 18th May 2018, the turnout was good. The session started at 7:00am and ran through to 4:00pm. Parents had an interactive session with various subject teachers and extra curriculum coaches.

The feedback given by the parents was that of satisfaction. Where there were points for growth, feedback was given accordingly. The day was a great success.

HOLIDAY CAMP

During the April Holidays, the school organized for Holiday camps. Many skills were taught to the girls in various disciplines, Art, Craft, Cookery, Life skills, tennis, cycling and many others. On the last day, they were able to display their talents. Thank you Sr. Evelyn and Mr Mwangi for coordinating the holiday camp.

ST JOHN DOLPHINS

The St John Dolphis club has a registration of around 45 girls. The girls are trained every Friday by a trainer from the St John Ambulance house. They are trained on basic first aid, animal care and protection, hungry badger among other short courses. This year, the Dolphins attended the launch of the new curriculum and uniform at Jamhuri park accompanied by their patrons, Tr. Monicah and Mr. Kariuki. That occassion saw Msongari being recognized as one of the best schools in Nairobi and our girls in their full St John uniform were the best dressed unit. Registered members have also been issued with cards (identity) with useful information about themselves in case any emergency arises. The club is planning for a wild badger trip to Mombasa later this year.

GUIDES AND BROWNIES 2018 REPORT

The school has two units under the Kenya girl guides movement. These are the brownies with a membership of 35 goals and the guides with 25 members. Both units and members are duly registered with the Kenya girl guides association (KGGA)

The units undertake various duties in and outside the school as per the guiding principles and motto.

The units leader Tr. Lydia undertook an introductory training workshop with the KGGA in April. She has therefore been well equipped to lead the team to higher levels.

The units also took some twenty members and two teachers to the Tsavo National Park in April for the annual educational trip. There is no doubt that the girls learnt also in this adventure which involved game drive, site seeing outdoor mountain hiking and other group challenge activities.

During the three day trip, the team visited the Aruba Dam Mudanda rocks, Lugard falls, Mzima springs Shetani lava and Kyulu hills from the serene Kilaguni lodge.

We are looking forward to more training and activities next term. This include visiting the langata women's prison as part of our Good turns and in line with our motto LEND A HAND!

ENVIRONMENT DAY

As a tradition every year, we joined others in celebrating the annual world environment day which is normally celebrated on the 5th of June. We celebrated ours on 22nd after running awareness during the week of 5th to 8th. We had the theme and quotes on taking care of the environment displayed on our notice boards. The patron of the club briefed the girls during assembly to explain the theme which was; Beat plastic pollution. Pupils were requested to collect as many plastic bottles as possible and bring them to school to start a recycling/reusing project which the club was to proceed on with past the celebrations. So far, we have collected over 100 bottles.

Recently, our Loreto Spirit Girl 2016/2017 Susan Njiru 6P found it worth to start a Leisure Park in the School. The main aim of the Park is to give an opportunity to the girls to have a place for reflection and appreciate the Environment around them. I take this opportunity to appreciate Susan who donated many flowers, flower pots and benches that were put at the Leisure Park which is a project for the Environment club. Suzie this is a good initiative and we appreciate your parents too for the support they have accorded you. May you continue to carry the Loreto flag wherever you go.

DISCIPLINE

We can all attest that shaping character is not easy. I must say that our core values (justice, sincerity, freedom, humility, service and integrity) contribute a great deal in moulding the behaviour of our pupils. We have not had major discipline concerns and we are happy that where we have needed the support of the parent – many have come in very well. Many of the girls are ready and willing to be corrected and they respond positively in the areas of concern. We had a concern about the hairstyle, therefore, we decided to define the kind of simple hairstyle expected as straight lines downwards or upwards (pony tail) The girls responded positively and we thank you parents for supporting this. Thank you Sr. Evelyne our Deputy Headmistress and the discipline team for the commendable job.

SPIRITUAL CARE:

The school continues to nurture the girls spiritually;

- We hold our weekly Mass every Thursday.
- We organized retreats for all classes offering them a unique opportunity to deepen their relationship with God. This is a help towards growth in love and respect for all. Some of the topics covered were; Fear of God, self Discipline, Peer Pressure, Time Management and Value of Work.
- In January, we celebrated the Mary Ward week, we had joint mass with the high school to celebrate this great woman on whom our core values are founded.
- This year , we had several pupils attending Catechism classes. 44 of them received the sacrament of First Holy Communion and 13 among them were also Baptized. Confirmation will take place on the 5th of October 2018.

STAFF RETREAT – SPIRIT OF TEAM WORK:

We continue to empower our teachers and encourage them in the Spirit of Teamwork. At the beginning of the year, the teachers attended a team building session at Mary Ward aimed at encouraging teamwork. At the beginning of 2nd term, in May, the teachers attended a retreat the Rosa Mystica Retreat Centre, the theme was, ‘Serving as a teacher while embracing freedom as a core value’.

MUSIC FESTIVALS – SUB COUNTY:

The school presented 3 choirs for the sub-county music festivals- Pre-school, lower primary and upper primary. Pre-school choir and upper primary qualified for the country/regional music festivals which was held at Westlands primary. Pre-school choir singing an accompanied set piece emerged position 2 this qualifying for the national music festivals to be held at Dedan Kamahi university in Nyeri.

The upper primary presented two songs which qualified for the nationals apart from the choirs, the school also performed a duet which also qualified for the nationals. We shall also perform in piano instrumental classes which are direct entries. Congratulations to all the girls and Tr. Geoffrey for a job well done.

VARIETY SHOW:

The variety show 2018 was held on 26th May 2018. The Theme was, ‘Msongari got talent’. There were presentations in the hall by the four houses.

The categories to be displayed were;

- Clothes
- Utensils
- Food (dry)
- Own creativity
- Meal for three.

Congratulations to Gordon house who emerged winners. There were other presentations where girls displayed their talents in singing, poetry, dancing, playing musical instruments and telling jokes. We also had the youngest preacher by the name Makena Wangechi of Std 3. This year, the talent show introduced Zumba and Gymnastics which made it more interesting. We crowned the day with our annual fashion show

- Maxine Irungu was crowned Miss Msongari Lower Primary
- Steffy Rehema was crowned Miss Msongari Lower Primary
- Amy Wambugu was crowned Miss Msongari Upper Primary

Congratulations to the three girls and all the contestants.

Our Guest of Honour was Artiste Eric Wainaina. We thank you parents for turning up in large numbers to support the girls. Thanks to Tr. Monicah and the talent show committee, the day was a great success.

GAMES REPORT

The girls have continued to participate fully in games. The school was well represented in Tennikoit, Cycling, Tennis and Hiking.

The Tennikoit team participated in the Makini Tournament in singles, doubles and fives. They managed silver in singles and doubles, and Gold in Fives.

The girls participated in the Inter school cycling competition at Karura forest and managed two Bronze medals, two Silver medals and a Gold medal in the U11 years category.

The girls also attended hiking inclusive of team building activities at the Ngong hills, Chaka Ranch and Karura Forest.

Our Annual cross country event took place on the morning of 29th May 2018 in preparation for Sports Day.

SPORTS DAY.

Our Annual sports day was held on the 14th of June 2018. It is a joint event with high school. Great talent was displayed during the event which saw Ball house emerge winners with 447 points, congratulations ball house we celebrate you, keep it up. Best athlete in upper was Lisa Akama and Lisa Hawi in lower . Our guest of honour was Mr. Meshack Senge, Strathmore University. Thank you Tr. Josephine and the team.

EDUCATIONAL TRIPS AND EXCURSIONS:

We continue to expose our girls by organizing educational trips and excursions.

- The Girl guides and the Brownies visited Tsavo.
- The Std 1 girls toured Nakuru
- Std 2 girls toured Naivasha during the Mid term break. The
- Std 5 girls went on a tour of Amboseli.

At the end of last year 19 girls from both primary and high school took part in an international trip to Dubai organized for Loreto schools. It was quite a good exposure for the girls.

This year the school is organizing another 7 day trip to Egypt. For more information kindly contact Mr. Mwangi.

MOTHERS' DAY

This annual event was celebrated on 17th of March 2018 with the marvelous mums gracing the occasion in their house colours. We had presentations from different houses highlighting on the growth and development of our girls. A motivational speaker, Anne Mareka gave an inspirational talk about the same. It was a good day with the theme, 'LORETO MSONGARI MUMS, OUR TIME IS NOW'.

FATHERS' DAY:

Fatherhood is a gift from God, this humbling duty comes with a lot of duties and responsibilities. As Msongari family, we love and appreciate the gift of Fatherhood. Every year in the month of June, the world comes together to celebrate fathers. The same applies here at Msongari.

This year we did celebrate fathers and father figures on 30th June 2018. The school organized a Boot camp under the Theme "Nurturing boys and girls through responsible fatherhood".

The fathers were given challenging events that direct the gentlemen towards Overcoming life challenges and working together as a team in order to meet our targets.

We can only look forward towards strengthening the bond between our fathers and the school for greater partnerships that lead to the success of the school and society.

CHARITY AND ACTS OF MERCY

We continue to empower the girls to reach out to the needy in our society. Through the initiative of Loreto supporting Loreto, the girls raised funds to educate a girl at St. Teresa's school through the Lenten Campaign. The Gordon house animated Mass and donated dry food stuff, stationary, food containers and utensils to St Joseph School. They also reached out to the larger community in the nation through participation in the Mater Heart run. All together, they raised a total of Kshs. 677, 360. My appreciation goes to all the girls and to you parents. May God bless you abundantly.

SWIMMING.

Our annual Loreto Convent Msongari Primary School Swimming Gala took place on the 23rd of February 2018 at the LCM school grounds swimming pool. Our guest of Honour this year was Coach Pauline Raburu. We had a good number of girls participating and parents too. Our best swimmer lower was Erica Ngugi and our best swimmer upper was Rachel – Neema Wambui . Our most promising swimmer Lower was Sharleen Moegi and most promising swimmer Upper was Jasmine Okoye .

We attend the KSF Level 1, KSF National Age Group , Lifetime Swimming Championships and Seals Swimming Championships. The girls collected a total of 27 medals and 3 trophies this season . We had 3 of our girls represent their clubs and our country in South Africa, Ashley Kagwima, Jerop Kittony and Rachel – Neema Wambui. We also had 2 girls; Rebecca Lemm and Shamim Otta represent our school and country in Uganda, Kampala, they emerged 3rd overall.

We really appreciate you parents for the support you have given the girls and the school. Thanks Tr. Annabelle for walking with the girls.

OTHER EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

TAE KWON DO

The girls continue to excel in Tae Kwon Do and they have been able to learn more techniques and have enjoyed a lot under Coach Dickson. On 26th March 2018, 13 students graduated in different ranks in a test conducted by one of our technical committee member Coach Martin Malaba.

1. Kayla Ahadi Mukhongo - White – 8th Yellow belt
2. Nia Muthama - White – 8th Yellow belt
3. Sandra Katui Macharia - Yellow - 7th Green belt
4. Alisha Oumarou Ali - White – 8th Yellow belt
5. Malia Rabala Obango - White – 8th Yellow belt
6. Muthamia Tunu - 6th Blue – 5th Blue belt
7. Nadia Muthoni Waititu - 6th Blue – 5th Blue belt

8. Daniella Kathomi - 6th Blue – 5th Blue belt.
9. Avril Muchiri – 6th Blue – 5th Blue belt
10. Anisa Wachui Rogoi - 7th green – 6th Blue
11. Elizabeth Samantha – 7th Green – 6th Blue
12. Susan Wawira – 4th Blue – 3rd red
13. Tia Imani - 3rd red – 2nd red.

TENNIS.

The tennis team participated in the Karen Country Club invitation tournament. They reached the quarter finals. The girls got great exposure that will enable them improve their performance in the upcoming competitions.

NEMIS

Following the Ministry of Education Directive to register all pupils in schools, our school participated in this exercise. I'm glad to report that our girls are now registered and each one has a UPI number.

INTER LORETO GAMES

Our school is hosting the 2018 Inter Loreto games on the 3rd and 4th August 2018. The games will start from 8:30 am. The games bring together all Loreto Schools to bond and learn from each other in sports. It is my humble request to invite you all to support this games. We are privileged to associate with you. Thanks for your support.

CONCLUSION

In the last few years we have experienced growth in numbers and we are heading in the right direction. I wish to thank all our parents and guardians for their continuous support throughout the busy year. We do not take it for granted. We are deeply indebted to other stake-holders, The Loreto Institute, The school Advisory Board members, Our Education Office, Teachers, Administration and support staff, we thank you all for your support and contribution towards making this year a great success for Loreto Msongari. May God bless each one of you abundantly. I remain committed to the achievements of this great school now and into the future, as we look forward to our Centenary, Loreto at 100 in celebrating God's Faithfulness. Long live our Loreto Msongari ! We have every reason to celebrate a great school and a great family. (School Anthem)

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