Director’s Remarks

These has been a very busy month, first we have a number of children who have joined our school both in secondary and primary section. Our students are busy preparing for the music festivals which is currently going on. Already they have successful been number one in zonal levels and waiting the next stage i.e Provincial level.

We hope, that they will make us feel proud by maintain their position till the end. We are wishing them the best of luck. As Children’s Garden Home and School, we are hoping that they will do their best this term and also appreciate all our sponsors.
HEALTH

The month has been very hectic, since it's the start of the cold season and dust is all over. Most of children have been complaining of coughing and headache. Due to this change of climate we advise them to dress warm clothes and those are affected we take them to hospital for medication.

POPULATION / NEW ENROLLMENT

We have a number of pupils and students who have been enrolled to different forms and classes. So far we have 26 children who have joined this month; thirteen students and thirteen pupils. The total number of population is 307 children.

We have two children who have faced a big challenge in their life i.e. Earnest Mungai (page 4) and George Okelo (page 3). Here are their testimonials.

SCHOOL OPENING

The primary school was opened on 6th May 2013 and started their classes as usual. They did their Continuous Assessment Test and they passed well. New pupils were enrolled.

SECONDARY SECTION

The Secondary section the term began on 7th May 2013 but few students who reported on that day but after they all reported. The classes were resumed as usual. By 18th June the number of students increased and now we a total of 64 students and we are expecting this number to increase by the end of this term. The form one class has the highest number of students at 27 students. Though the classrooms are very small. If we are going to increase with that rate we need to look for an option of building big classes.
There life was not easy because I used to fetch water for people so that I can put food on the table. I struggled very hard so that I could find money because my aunt was not willing to help me.

The school which I used to go was very far that I could walk up to seven kilometers from home. I used to wake up at 4am so that I may reach there on time. It was very dangerous sometimes for me to walk at that time since dangerous people and animals could attack.

One day when I was at home, I saw one of my neighbor calling me from her home and I run there to hear what she wanted to say. The neighbor was very kind that because she used to give me books and clothes. I was not aware that she knew my aunt who was in Nairobi.

Suddenly when I was still talking to her, my aunt from Nairobi called her on the phone and I was able to tells her what I was passing through. My aunt was very angry and he could but later was not able to provided all the basic needs. He finally brought him to Children’s Garden Home and School.

His parents died when he was 12 years old. They were left with their mum who was then the only sole breadwinner. She was doing a small business. Early this year 2013 she suddenly passed away due to typhoid and complications that resulted to stroke. The boy was left with no one to take care of him until the uncle came to rescue him an tried to provided what
Earnest parents separated while he was still young. The mother ran away and left under the care of his beloved father who was a drunkard. He rarely provided the child with food which made the boy to have retarded growth. Due to this kind of behavior the child got malnourished and suffered a skin disease all over his body. According to his grandmothers’ status she could not be able to provide the boy with his basic needs. She decided to take the matter to the District Children’s Officer. The child was later taken to court and committed to Children’s Garden Home and School for a period of three years.

We have taken the boy to various government hospitals to seek treatment and he is now in good condition after being given medication. Therefore, the boy needs assistance and to be taken to a dermatology a skin specialist.

**COMPOUND**  **{Cleanliness}**

We encourage our children to be clean and neat. We thank the Community cooker project that was build in the compound which uses waste papers. This project has rarely helped in terms of reducing the waste papers in the home. There is availability of water in the

**LABORATORY & LIBRARY FACILITIES**

Our laboratory facilities is set and organized for basic and medium experiments. The mocks examination practical will be conducted in our laboratory for the first time and we are intending to do expansions. In the library we have books and our children are using the facilities as it is required.

**COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY**

The few computers in our institution are not enough to support our students who are interested in learning the computer lessons. Kindly, we do request for your support in this sector of technology. We will rarely appreciate if we are provided with some of computers in our in home.
EXAMINATION

We have begun the term two mid-term Examinations which are supposed to continue to up to the 8th week of the term and end on 24th June 2013. There after, teachers will have enough time to set end of term examination at all areas covered by both pupils/students.

DISCIPLINE

We encourage our pupils/students to observe discipline and to adhere with school rule and regulations. Sometimes the Home Social Worker talks to the children often and organize with qualified counselors to come and talk to our children.

RABBIT PROJECT

The project is doing well. Though there was an outbreak of disease which made some few rabbits to die but few are remaining. Is our hope that the rest will survive.

COMMUNITY COOKER PROJECT

The community cooker project is progressing well. We use waste papers, worn out clothes and any other waste to burn and produce energy for cooking food. It has given has a humble time since firewood id very expensive compared to waste materials. But sometimes we do face challenges in accessing the waste materials but in all we have one step ahead.

CONCLUSION

The entire fraternity of Children’s Garden Home & School we would like to take this opportunity to thank all the well wishers who have been helpful in enabling the institution to grow that far. Any assistant offered to us is highly appreciated. We thank you all and may God bless you abundantly.