



# SAAS

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### **SAAS 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Maths Camp**

SAAS hosted its 7th annual Mathematics Camp in the SAAS premises for our secondary school students. Unfortunately our tutors from the UK and Ireland were unable to attend this year due to travel restrictions between Europe and Kenya however the camp went ahead thanks to the support of our Kenyan tutors Wilfred Otieno, James Kirima, Moses Obiero, Sheila Luganzo, Daniel Otieno, Silvia Masere, Wellington Mshote, Cyril Munyoki and Wilfred Baya who gave off their time to mentor and support our student with the difficult subject of maths. As always, the camp was very well attended and we were overwhelmed by the number of students who came during their summer holidays looking for assistance with Maths. The camp ran for one week and after that time students continued coming to the office for group tuition and to use our library facilities. We were delighted that despite the initial set back, the camp was a huge success with a large group of students getting the guidance and support they needed. We look forward to building on this success for next year.



*From Left: Form 4, students having their group discussion and far right a group photo of the form 3's*

### **Graduation Ceremony**

We are proud and delighted to report that another group of computer studies students graduated having completed the SAAS three month program. They were awarded with a Certificate of Merit and as they now begin to build their CVs they are equipped with sound computer knowledge which is vital to securing employment in today's world. A particularly encouraging element of this course is that most students who completed the course then offer their time and knowledge to assist in teaching the next cycle of students coming through therefore the program is becoming self-sustaining. The course has contributed to several success stories with students securing jobs in IT, Teaching, support staff in Cyber Cafes and many more. We must also acknowledge the support of our amazing donors who have assisted us in providing the necessary equipments including computers, tables, chairs, stationary etc.

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*Left: Zaituni handing a Certificate to one of her students and right a group photo of some of the students who attended the Computer Class.*

## Easter Holiday

Gina Woods, SAAS director visited to oversee the work on the ground as well as meet the students she is sponsoring. Easter is usually a good time for sponsors to visit SAAS as they get a chance to meet with their students who are on their break from school and come home to visit family and relish the opportunity to meet with their SAAS sponsors. She also came with more Football Jerseys from St. Bridget's GAA Club Castleknock in Dublin that were donated to our students.



*Gina Ebby, Maria and Mary displaying some of the Jerseys.*

## School Re-opened

The school term re-commenced in September with 79 students being registered through SAAS for post primary education. 53 of these student are attending secondary schools throughout Kenya while 26 are attending college and vocational training courses. We also have 5 students enrolled in University.

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## Wedding bells

We are delighted to announce the marriage of SAAS Counsellor and Operations Officer, Ebby Soinani to SAAS sponsor, Peter Becker (Germany). Peter recently visited Ebby in Mombasa and kindly visited Precious Visions Care Centre in Kongowea to which he donated gifts including clothes, books and stationary to the students living in the orphanage. Ebby and Peter married during a recent trip to Denmark. We wish them a lifetime of love and happiness and our warmest congratulations.



***Right: Mr and Mrs Peter Becker, Centre and right: Donations from Peter being delivered to the students of Precious Visions Care Center.***

## Triza's Corner



***Triza(26) is a former student of SAAS who has gone through Secondary School and College by the support of SAAS. She is now fully employed by an insurance company and she still embraces our Newsletter with her amazing Poems.***

## My Saviour SAAS

SAAS you are our saviour, without you our lives would be a mess, life full of struggle and pain, life with no goal insight. Thank you for shaping our future.

You volunteered to cater for our education, you even had time to come and teach us, to help us in subjects

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we never understood Maths, Chemistry and Physics you taught us, SAAS you are unique.

What name we should call you SAAS? Our mother? Our father? Or should we call you shepherd of our lives?

Indeed you are the shepherd of our lives for like the shepherd of our lives for like the shepherd who looks upon his animals, you look forward to see our bright future by giving us the good education.

I am proud of having you SAAS for without you I would not be the TRIZAH I am today with tears of joy, I say thank you for being my hero.

Thanks You

Trizah Mghanga

### **Coming Soon.....**

- **Form Four Students Sitting for their Final Secondary Exam.**
- **11<sup>th</sup> Graduation Ceremony of Computer Students.**
- **Schools/Colleges Close for Christmas Holiday.**
- **SAAS Students Annual Fun Day.**

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