# MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL ESTABLISHMENT; BECOMES A PROVEN FACE OF EDUCATIONAL INVESTMENTS IN AFRICA.

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MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL ESTABLISHMENT, MALABA, UGANDA – AFRICA

AT THE CENTER IS MR. OBURA GEORGE (HEADTEACHER)

# Reviews, Analysis, Reports and Remarks:

A unique – wave of fame has proudly attracted our community friendly team; to search, find and interface with section of personalities behind the Fashionable growth and development of MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL establishment in Malaba, Uganda – Africa.

Special Life Team, was tipped by some community members in Eldoret – Kenya; about the good performance and provision of a holistic educational services by the privately owned; MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL establishment in Malaba, Uganda – Africa.

The team made a pre-visit at the school on 26 May 2018.

During the untimely pre-visit, Special Life Team assessed the Potential and Possibility of MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL to fit and/ or rank within the set standards of some prominent school establishments under worldwide promotion by the prestigious flagship of www.safelifeuganda.org GOLD CERTIFIED.

It was promptly established that MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL establishment would comfortably share the same platform with an assortments of prominent world – class educational establishments currently trending on the respectable www.safelifeuganda.org. The date for interface was scheduled for 05/ June 2018 at 14:00hrs.

As usual, Special Life Team was on schedule to interface with the top management of MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL on 05/ June 2018.

During the vibrant 5 hour session; the headteacher Mr. Obura George, unlocked nearly all the factors that propelled MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL establishment from a humble and little known school facility to the current- durable face of a world – class educational investment in Africa.

We herein serve in bits and pieces what propelled MAAMA JUNIOR to a praise worthy name in Africa and beyond.

Please read through and remember to contact the management of MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL establishment at the right moment.



# A NIGHT VIEW OF MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL, ADMINISTRATION BLOCK



A NIGHT VIEW OF MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL, NURSERY SECTION

# **LOCATION:**

MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL is established along the Greater North Highway from Kenya to Uganda. Two kilometers from Uganda Immigration offices and directly opposite the Malaba River. The school has 6 acres of free hold land owned by MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL COMPANY Limited. It is found in Malaba Town Council, Tororo District, Uganda.

#### **FORMATION**

A combination of high demand for early childhood development facilities and short supply of such facilities in Malaba 2006, low levels of literacy, positive attitude to develop others, true love for humanity, community moral support, good government policies and rapidly changing technology – driven world empowered the Vision Bearers to commit hard- earned resources towards the formation of MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL establishment in Malaba, Uganda – Africa 2006.

# **DOCUMENTATION**

Maama Junior School Company Limited was incorporated on the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2006 in the Republic of Uganda.

The school was subsequently registered with the Ministry of Education and Sports, in the Republic of Uganda, on 14 March 2006. It was registered as a mixed day primary school under registration Number PPS/M/170. The school was licensed by the Ministry of Education to operate Boarding section on 02 February 2018.

The school was inspected by the Directorate of Education Standards and found competent to manage a boarding facility under set standards and rules there of. A copy of the permit was issued to relevant offices not limited to the Director, Directorate of Education standards, The District Education Officer – Tororo District, The District – Inspector of Schools – Tororo District.

The document undersigned for and on behalf of the Permanent Secretary Ministry of Education by Dr. Daniel Nkaada. "In addition, you need to strictly adhere to all the acts, regulations and guidelines relating to Health, Security, Insurance and Education", states the permit to operate a boarding facility.



MR. OBURA GEORGE, HEADTEACHER



MS. WANJIKU LUCY, DEPUTY HEADTEACHER – ADMIN

# THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

The school established in 2006, with 20 learners, 6 teachers, 4 non-teaching staff and two classroom blocks. With good performance and focused efforts the school has on record by 05/ May 2018; 442 learners in Primary section, 106 learners in Nursery section, 33 qualified teachers, 15 non-teaching staff, 4 well serviced buses to facilitate and promote, pick/ drop arrangements with day scholars.

The school community is visibly peaceful and highly friendly to all visitors.

# **OWNERSHIP**

The school is owned by a limited liability company. Named; MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL Company Limited. It has five Directors.

- o Executive Director is Mr. Opio George, a native of Teso Region in Eastern Uganda.
- o The school is managed by the School Management Committee (SMC); comprising twelve members.

The chairperson Mr. Appolo Ekakoro is a native of Tororo District. The Headteacher Mr. Obura George is the secretary to the management committee.

Teachers, pupils, parents and area local council are well represented on the committee.

# THE SCHOOL VISION

To become a high quality education provider in the region.

# MISSION STATEMENT

To offer quality education bearing in mind National and International needs and standards.

This will be according to the available and established curriculum of the ministry of Education and Sports.

This will be achieved by use of available expert staff and modern facilities.

Maintenance of individual pupil's faith is a must.



MS. AJAMBO MAGADALENE, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTAN



**CANDIDATE CLASS 2018** 

# **SCHOOL MOTTO**

"There is Time for Everything (Eccl 3:1-13)"

# SERVICES OFFERED

- 1. Early childhood Education.
- 2. Pick and drop services for day scholars.
- 3. Co-curriculum activity includes but not limited to physical education.
- 4. Balanced diet and timely feeding.
- 5. Counseling and guidance.
- 6. Educational services as guided by the National Curriculum of the Ministry of Education and Sports in the republic of Uganda.
- 7. The school supports needy learners with bursaries.
- 8. The school provides a holistic development of learners by promoting the freedom of worship.
- 9. The school promotes an equal employment opportunity among others.

# INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

The good performance and focused efforts of MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL establishment has been noticed and appreciated by relevant stakeholders in Africa and beyond.

The most recent organization to identify with MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL establishment is called GIVE US WINGS – UGANDA. The organization is supporting a total of 70 needy and vulnerable children at the school. GIVE US WINGS – UGANDA signed a memorandum of understanding with the school (MAAMA JUNIOR) in early 2018. Our team could not readily access the content of the memorandum of understanding.

Another organization that has picked 5 children (learners) for sponsorship is called PLAN INTERNATIONAL. Our team was not able to access terms and conditions of sponsorship.

#### LOCAL SUPPORT

The school has continuous support from Tororo District Local Government especially the Department of Education.

Malaba Town Council is also on record for supporting MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL establishment.

Tororo Cement Factory has also supported the school in its journey of growth and development.

NOVO Enterprises Limited supported the school with building materials "Yes, the company used to give us discount on purchase of materials" says Mr. Obura George.

Rock Mambo FM 106.8 Tororo – supports the school where necessary.

Finally the Central government under the Ministry of Education and Sports maintained routine inspections and guidance on school programs.

# SANITATION COVERAGE

MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL Establishment has sanitation coverage at about 95%. It is one of very few schools in Africa without pit latrines and/ or traditional toilets. All toilet facilities are modern and with sufficient supply of water.

The school has two water tanks with capacity to hold 20,000 litres each.

It also has a water purification system that is able to release 1000 litres of purified water in every two hours. The school has a modern borehole – electronically powered. Drainage systems well constructed to keep the compound green, clean and dry.

There are six (6) flash toilets for boys, 6 for girls and 4 for staff.

# THE NURSERY SECTION

MAAMA JUNIOR NURSERY SCHOOL was officially registered on 21/02/2017, under Certificate number TOR/ED/ECD/03/17 Registration Certificate for ECD Centres – Ministry of Education and Sports; The Republic of Uganda.

# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE IN THE PAST 10 YEARS (PLE)

YEAR	PER	CENTAGE FIRST GRADE
2017	-	80%
2016	-	61%
2015	-	100%
2014	-	66%
2013	-	82%
2012	-	95%
2011	-	68%
2010	-	57%
2009	-	82%
2008	-	41%

# GOD BLESS MAAMA JUNIOR

# POWER, FUEL AND SAFETY

The school receives power from the National Grid and a standby generator is in place to keep power supply constant and highly dependable.

Firewood is used for cooking and boiling water. There are twelve fire extinguishers in the school and in the buses as well.

# THE CHALLENGES

"The location is a big challenge, the school is at the border point where traffic flow is constant. "We also have series of unplanned structures, leading to slums, security risk, alcoholism, noise pollution and prostitution among other things" Explains the headteacher Mr. Obura George

- O The drainage system in Malaba Town Council is poorly constructed and reluctantly managed by the concerned authorities.
- Electricity: "We are connected to an overloaded grid, at times the energy is not adequate to drive available office machine". Explains Mr. OBURA GEORGE
- O Communications: Network system has interference with those from Kenya, making telecommunication a big challenge.

O Because of low payment of school fees by parents; some of the school programs experience unforeseeable delays.

# **UNIQUENESS**

MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL establishment is unique in the context of its location at the border point, where most children would be reluctant to persue education.

The establishment of Maama Junior came as a Timely Rescue and Saviour of innocent children within the Town Council and beyond.

The school establishment preaches true love for humanity to keep teachers and learners humbled and focused.

The school establishment inspires other stakeholders to promote regional cooperation in the context of social - economic development.

# THE CURRICULUM

The school follows the Uganda National syllabus and covers a wide range of national, regional and international studies. English language is the main medium of instruction. The Nursery section has learning framework from the Ministry of Education and Sports. They follow guidelines on early childhood development. The activity prepares young learners to excel once they cross to primary section.

Outside the classroom setting, the school has games like football, basket ball, athletics, indoor games and others.

# TEACHER AND PUPIL MOTIVATION

The establishment provides accommodation for staff and every teacher is given opportunity to educate a biological child free of charge. Good performance of learners attract a token of appreciation from the management.

# VIBRANT PERSONALITIES

The headteacher (MR. OBURA GEORGE)

Is a highly experienced professional, has true love for humanity and intrapersonal desire to serve others. He speaks professionally, walks with a wave of self respect and respect for others.

His key focus on team work has transformed MAAMA JUNIOR into a respectable educational facility in Africa.

Mr. Obura George was born on 13<sup>th</sup> March 1976 to the family of Mr. Ejalu Alex Opolot and Mrs. Anne Mary Ongok of Madera – Aloet in Soroti Municipality – Uganda – Africa.

# **EDUCATION**

2015 – 2018 he earned a Bachelors of education from Kampala International University in Uganda.

2003 – 2005, he earned a diploma in teacher education from Kyambongo University, Kampala – Uganda.

1995 – 1997 Grade III Teacher Certificate from Moroto Core Primary Teachers' College.

1991 – 1994, UCE at Soroti Senior Secondary School – Uganda.

1990 – Primary Leaving Examination in Pioneer Primary School, Soroti Municipality.

#### **HOW HE JOINED MAAMA:**

IN 2006, Mr. Obura George joined as the head of school programs.

His good performance and competence propelled him through various promotions at the establishment. In 2015 he was appointed by the board of Directors to the position of headteacher; which he serves to the satisfaction and pride of all stakeholders.

# WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE

MR. OBURA GEORGE attended a course at the National Institute of Leadership in Kyankwazi, Uganda – Africa.

He was head of department English language at Pioneer Primary School – Zanna. He was the deputy headteacher at Bweyogerere Christian Academy.

He was the head of English language at Bweyogerere Education Centre.

He was a teacher of English at the now famous New **Hormisdallen** Primary school in Kirinya, Bweyogerere. Mr. Obura George has been mentored through various institutions which empowered him to become highly focused, humble and down to earth.

His management technique is admired by many stakeholders. Mr. Obura George is married with three children.

# THE DEPUTY HEADTEACHER ADMINISTRATION

# LUCY WANJIKU KAMAU (MS.)

She is professionally soft spoken, kind, focused and humble.

Ms. Lucy Wanjiku Kamau was born on 22<sup>nd</sup>/ April 1973 to the family of Mr. Joseph .K. Gatacha and Mrs. Felisters Warigia of Gatundu in Kiambu District Kenya – Africa.

2002 – 2004 she earned a Certificate in Primary Teaching from Thogoto Teachers' College.

1993 – 1995 she earned a diploma in Fine Art from Buru Buru Institute of Fine Art.

2011 she joined Maama Junior School as a teacher of English language primary seven and primary two. Her performance was noticed with high levels of appreciation.

She was promoted through various positions. She is now the deputy headteacher in-charge of Administration.

#### REMARKS

Maama Junior School establishment is a durable face of Educational Investments in Africa. The commitment and focused efforts put in place by the vision bearers of the school establishment should inspire investors, institutional donors, governments, Non- government organizations to support African children.

MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL deserves support from all stakeholders in order to sustain and share the great achievements.

We thank the government of Uganda for good performance in the areas of documentation, Inspection, guidance, technical support provided to MAAMA JUNIOR SCHOOL since it was established in 2006.

We salute all stakeholders who have supported the school to transform all challenges into golden opportunities for Uganda, Africa and beyond.

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