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Dear family members, we would love to welcome you to read the event that happened at IOP in the month of May 2021

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1. Single young mothers Entrepreneurship Training
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3. Meeting with form six graduates of 2021
4. Advertisement of Sunflower Pre and Primary School in Tunduma, Songwe region.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRAINING TO YOUNG MOTHERS



On May 06th to 11th, 2021 12 single young mothers attended entrepreneurship training at IOP center. The training aimed at providing basic business skills so that the young mothers can be able to establish their own businesses. They were taught things to consider before starting up a business. They

learnt that in order to start up a business they must consider things like , business plan, market, capital, emergency money, name of the business, good customer

care, how to do business, knowing the competitors, preparing budget and record keeping.

At the end of the training, each participant had to come up with the business idea so that they can be given startup capital and establish the small business. 8 young mothers were given 100,000TSH as a capital to establish a business while 4 young mothers joined different courses; (1 electrician, 1 hair dressing saloon, and 2 sewing course). These trainings and start-up capital are supported by Y-Global from Norway through women empowerment projects.



SPORTS COMPETITIONS -UMITASHUMTA

Umoja wa Michezo na Utamaduni kwa Shule za Msingi Tanzania (UMITASHUMTA) is the national sports competition done at primary education level in Tanzania Mainland.

The competition involves all sports and games such as netball, football, volleyball, handball, basketball, marathon, table tennis to mention but a few. The competitions are conducted from April throughout June in our country. The competition is a platform to showcase/ build/



develop talents among pupils. Awards are provided to the winners in all levels; school, ward, district, region, zone and national. Sunflower pre-primary school participated in this competition at Ward level conducted at Ilula Orphan Program grounds.



Sunflower Primary School played a football game against Masukanzi Primary school where they finished the game with a draw. With the scores, they had to go through penalty kicks whereby Sunflower primary school football team scored 3 goals and Masukanzi primary school football team scored 4 goals. Likewise the girls from both schools had netball match where by Masukanzi primary school became the winner by the score of 4-3. The scores marked Sunflower to be outside the competitions.

Some pupils from Sunflower primary school were selected to join football and netball teams at ward level depending to the best of their play in the pitches.



MEETING WITH FORM SIX GRADUATES OF 2021

The meeting with guardians and sponsored students who completed high school were held on 28th May 2021. Eleven (11) students out of 15 students who completed high school attended the meeting. Four students did not attend the meeting due to different reasons reported to the office. Both guardians and students were invited to attend the meeting so as to give a vote of thanks to the sponsors for the enormous support and to students for their safely completion. In the meeting the staff shared the current challenge of COVID 19 and its effects at different levels; global, national, institutional, family and individual levels that some of the sponsors have lost their jobs due to lockdown for a long time and the situation has disturbed their daily activities and income.

In connection to COVID 19, the guardians were reminded on the issues of cost sharing that they should be ready and prepared to contribute some of the costs to make the studies of students possible. The guardians were very concerned about the disease and its effects to sponsored students. They requested IOP to continue finding other possibilities as almost all sponsored students come from vulnerable family whom in one way or another have been affected with the disease. The program officers insisted the guardians to contribute something for further studies. In line with that, the program staff provided guidance on the issues required to apply education loan, universities, courses and maintaining good behavior while waiting to join universities.



ADVERTISEMENT OF SUNFLOWER PRE AND PRIMARY SCHOOL IN TUNDUMA, SONGWE REGION

It was a great opportunity for representatives from IOP schools to attend the football Bonanza for Veterans in Tunduma. This bonanza gathered more than 600 people (adults) mostly workers who play football but not a competitive one. The gathering comprised the people from Tunduma, Mbeya, Songea, Iringa, Njombe and Kyela. Sunflower Pre & Primary school sponsored partly the event so



as to get an opportunity to advertise the schools as most veterans have children/grand-children to send to school. Posters were placed at the playground and brochures were distributed to the mass. The advertisements played a big role during the event of two days as IOP schools were mentioned by the

Master of Ceremony (MC) several times, brochures and posters were distributed to the invited guests. It was very useful to have attended this event because it was part of learning on how we can efficiently market our school in a big gatherings, many parents and guardians were interested, asked questions, took brochures and joining instructions to share with families and friends. With these efforts, it is believed that next year our school will register a good number of pupils from different places like Mbeya, Tunduma, Songea and Njombe.



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