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RE: REPORT ON MURAL PAINTING IN GIAKANJA PRIMARY SCHOOL FUNDED BY PAINTING A NEW WORLD.

Giakanja primary school is located in Tetu. This is one of the schools where we planted 1000 trees. The school has a vibrant tree planting project and a well maintained fence.



A Mural in this school will be a great boost to the environment work they are doing.

This mural project was funded by PAINTING A NEW WORLD, an Organization from Canada that helps artists.

They supported us with CAD 500 (Ksh.38, 000).

Out of the Ksh.38, 000, 20,000 was for the support of Artists in our organization while Ksh.18, 000 was for the production of the mural.

The 10 Artists in our organization received Ksh.2000

each worth of art materials.

On receiving the funds, we organized how we will paint the mural. We contacted the Head teacher of Giakanja Primary school who gave us the go ahead to paint the mural in his school. This is one of the schools where we had planted trees in July.

The mural was organized and planned by all artists and painted by two artists(myself and Peterson). The other artists were engaged in other mural projects in a place called Kabiruini grounds where there is preparation for this year's Agricultural Show for Central Kenya which will take place early September.

THE MURAL PROCESS

The mural started on Wednesday 11th in the morning. We could not start on Tuesday as scheduled due to cold weather. August is the coldest month here.

Wednesday was a bit warm.



We started by dusting the wall. The wall had the school Motto which the Head teacher requested us to preserve.

The wall before we started.



We started by priming with white paint to clean the wall in readiness for the mural. We chose this wall since it is located at a strategic position near the parade ground and facing the gate. The mural is visible even to people outside the school hence it will reach out to so many people.



The wall was now ready for painting.

There are water taps along the wall where the children fetch water for cleaning. So as they fetch the water they will be seeing the mural and learn.



We started by painting the Background where we chose Mt. Kenya. The mountain is a world heritage site. One can clearly see the mountain from the school compound when the sky is clear. **The Rivers that originate from The Aberdare Ranges/forest supply Over 50% of water used in the Kenyan Capital Nairobi.**

These rivers also supply water to the seven hydro-electric dams in the area that supply power to the bigger part of the country. Mt.kenya Forest and

the Aberdare forest are one of Kenya's greatest water towers that need to be preserved. The others are Mau forest in the rift valley and Mt.Elgon Forest in western Kenya. So you can see how important this project is and how these murals will educate people to conserve these forests.



The tank next to the wall will be part of the mural.



This was the end of day one as it was getting dark.

DAY 2 THURSDAY 12th.

The day started well. We started working on the mural about 11 am when the weather was favorable. We started painting the vegetation on the mural creating perspective. At this point the mural was taking shape.



The river is painted such that it seems to flow into the tank. The children can now associate the water they are fetching with the river in the mural. This brings out the theme of the mural. When we plant trees, trees will attract rain and the rain will sustain our rivers which in turn will sustain our own existence. Water is life and without trees there is no life.

The mural had started gathering crowd.



Peterson is working on a forest



The mural could be seen from far since it had taken shape and pulled the crowd.
That's how powerful murals are.



We then started working on the children planting trees and the classrooms to bring out a school compound situation.

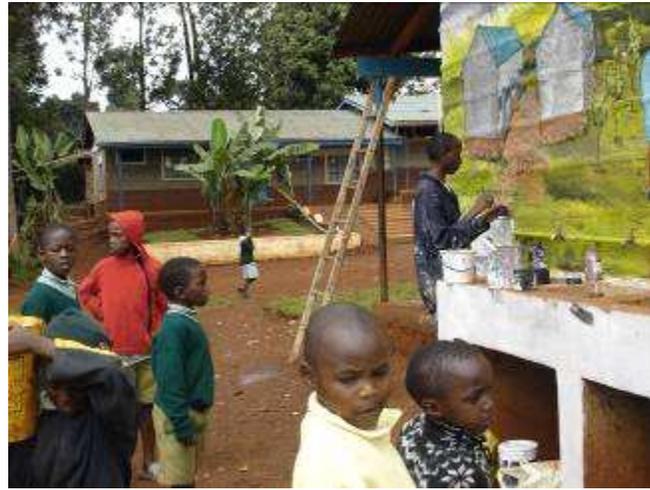


Day two ended with Peterson starting on the logo to be finished the following day.



DAY 3 FRIDAY 13th

Day three started with the school motto and the logo. I did the motto as Peterson did the logo.



This section shows that the mural was painted by the **Kiangure springs environment initiative** under the community empowerment through art project Funded by **Painting a new world**.

The mural was a centre for attraction for the children.





The mural from different angles.

The river finally ends with a water fall flowing to the tank.

The mural was finally over giving a Beautiful face-lift to the school compound and a big boost to the tree planting projects in the school Thanks to Painting a new world. You can see in the photo the impact of the mural in the compound.

The mural will now pass on the message of tree planting to the students and all those who will visit the school. They will all learn the importance of planting trees.



There is a tree planting project here. This is one of the schools where we planted 1000 trees. Look at some of the trees near the mural.



Joram The coordinator/artist.



Peterson artist.



The school Head teacher poses with the children for a photo in front of the mural.



We also pose for a photo with the group as the Head teacher takes us the photo.

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