



## END OF YEAR 2024 NEWSLETTER

Dear sir/Madam,

We thank God for an incredibly great year 2024.

Special thanks to all our stakeholders, staff, Parents, learners, suppliers and partners. The year couldn't have been this successful without you.

We had vibrant Parents Academic Committees (PACs) who embraced respective class mantra and fully supported class programs and initiatives leading to realization of 2024 class goals. We intend to raise the bar higher by initiating the director's round-table meetings with respective segment PAC committees at the beginning of every academic year.

### **Key highlights of 2024 Academic year.**

- We reorganized our institutions to take care of various academic needs of our children in a more child friendly environment.
  - Both Manuel Alexander and Likunda School will now focus on pre- school and primary school segment. This leaves our children with adequate space and a conducive environment for learning. The grade 6 graduands from these two schools transit smoothly to Lulu Campus, a standalone Junior secondary school.
  - Lulu Campus, formerly Lulu boys' high school and now a standalone Junior secondary school absorbs all grade 6 graduands from Manuel Alexander and Mekaela Likunda School.
  - At Ratinga and Weber school, we have set modern junior secondary blocks within the institution, Ukunda campus and Kombani campus for Ratinga and weber respectively. This ensures seamless transition of grade 6 graduands to a separate block within same compound.
  - We are currently revamping Mekaela Senior High School structures to accommodate the CBC pioneer senior class in 2026.
  - Mekaela Likunda Kidzangoni branch, an online school where lessons are streamed live from main school, enables children from remote areas access quality education.
- In co-curricular activities and programs, we did extremely well. Below is just a tip of the iceberg;
  - Lulu campus was nationwide runners -up in first lady Mazingira award (Flama), in spoken word. It was wondrous to see our own students interact with crème dela crème of the country at state house.
  - Mekaela Likunda emerged coast champions in multilingual competition, organized by the Pearson languages and solutions.

# MEKAELA ACADEMIES





- Mekaela Ratinga girls leg ball team was crowned coast region champion in Kenya private school coast region competition.
- Manuel Alexander and Weber were top national contenders in music festival.

This is a testimony that besides quality education, we also nurture children's talents.

### **Special programs**

To nurture our learners' talents in line with CBC, we are delighted to inform you that we shall be introducing a variety of special programs at a negotiable fee with qualified trainers to coach learners in areas of interest. These programs are above the normal co-curricular programmes, and include;

- a) Swimming.
- b) Professional Football (Football Academy).
- c) Coding & Robotics.
- d) Taekwondo and Music.

### **Chipkizi East Africa Youth Tournament**

Our youngsters who enrolled in football academy will be taking part in the East Africa Chipkizi tournament in Arusha Tanzania from 13<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> December 2024. Our students with interest in football do not just play, they train.

### **Long Holiday**

Our children will be at home for yet another long vacation. We implore you to keep them close. As much as children will need time to rest, let it be known that learning is a continuous process, hence the need to come up with a relaxed and balanced plan that will allow them to bond with family members, help with family chores but also spare time for their schoolwork. They have been issued with a holiday revision booklet, please help them to attempt all questions therein and confirm by signing.

### **Mekaela Graduation Ceremony**

Graduation marks the accomplishment of an academic segment. In order to align with the levels of education system, we have revised the levels of our graduating classes as indicated below effective from 2025.

- a) PP2, who will be transiting from pre-school to join Lower primary School.
- b) Grade 3, who will be transiting to join upper primary segment.
- c) Grade 6 Candidates, who will be joining Junior Secondary school.
- d) Grade 9 Candidates as they transit to Senior Secondary School





**2025 Admissions.**

Interview dates for 2025 intake in various levels (*day care to Grade 9*) will be conducted across our schools as scheduled below.

DATE	TIME	SCHOOL	Head of Institution (HOI) Phone No:
4 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2024	8:00AM- 12:30PM	MANUEL ALEXANDER SCHOOL	0720 958 478/0731 852 099
		MEKAELA JUNIOR SEC.SCHOOL-LULUCAMPUS	0721 928 863/0711 964 999
11 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov 2024	8:00AM- 12:30PM	MEKAELA LIKUNDA SCHOOL	0714 377 474/0718 411 120
		MEKAELA RATINGA SCHOOL & JUNIOR SECONDARY	0729 288 978/0768 454 675
		MEKAELA WEBER SCHOOL & JUNIOR SECONDARY	0729 210 337/0729 733 264

**NB.**

*Other than the scheduled interview dates, there will be a teacher on duty in every school, Monday to Friday from 9:00am to 12:30 pm during the long holiday except the Christmas week (21<sup>st</sup> December 2024 through 2<sup>nd</sup> Of January 2025).*

**Academic trips:**

Educational trips enhance classroom learning, promote social and emotional development of a child as well as exposing learners to real-life situations. This underscores the importance of your child taking part in school organized educational trips.

**Book fund.**

Our Junior secondary school book fund program has been a big relief to parents as it reduces the cost of buying books every year.

We shall therefore be introducing this in primary school segments starting with pp1 and grade 1 classes of 2025 academic year. The book fund covers main course books.

**2025 booklist**

The process of approving course books by KICD is ongoing. You will receive your son/daughter book list in classes that are not covered by the book fund program through WhatsApp soon after Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development releases final list of approved books.





**School fees:**

You will receive a fee invoice from your child's class teacher as hard copy or soft copy sent by WhatsApp.

The board of directors has shelved any increase in school fees despite the increase in the school's overall operation costs. However, we have made a slight upward adjustment of transport fee. This is due to the high cost of operations in the transport department.

We hope this gesture will be reciprocated by paying your child's fees in time as well as increasing our enrollment.

*Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year 2025, full of God's blessings.*

**By Management**

