

# BAOBUYU LEARNING CENTER

MARCH 2026

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



## March Madness!

WOWZAS! What a month March has been! From start to finish, March has been a whirlwind of activity filled with celebrations, amazing moments, and a steady stream of visitors who brought energy and happiness to our school. Even the endless monsoon rains couldn't slow us down this month!

We marked some truly meaningful occasions together, including our 10-year anniversary, Women's Day, and Youth Day. We also had to say a sad goodbye to some people very important to us. Looking back, we are amazed by how much has been packed into just a few short weeks. It has been a full and sometimes overwhelming month, but above all, a rewarding one! We're excited to take a moment to reflect and share some of these highlights with you.



“A school's true richness is found in what it shares”

## 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SAFARI



One of our biggest dreams has always been to bring all of our former graduates together again. The oldest graduates are already in Grade 8! There could not have been a more perfect occasion than our 10-year anniversary to make that dream a reality. We wanted to do something really special, and thanks to our incredible friends at **African Safari Experience**, that dream came to life in the most unforgettable way. With five safari vehicles, 53 students (some traveling from very far to be there), a picnic shared by 70 people, a beautiful celebration cake, and a clear, sunny day, everything came together perfectly and we all went on safari in Mosi-au-Tunya park. It was much more than just an event! What a perfect way to spend time together again!

## HAPPY Women's Day

March 8th was International Women's Day and what better way to celebrate our incredible women than cruising along the Zambezi River! We enjoyed a delicious braai and spent time with good friends. Thank you to the boys for organizing our exciting and entertaining after cruise party games. We had such a great day!



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## MARCH'S 10 YEAR IMPACT! HOPE FOR ACTION

Sneak Peak of April

### 10 YEARS-10 IMPACTS MARCH'S FOCAL PROJECT

#### HOPE4ACTION

Our Story!

This March, we've chosen **Hope4Action** as the project we want to celebrate and support! The team at **Hope4Action** is incredibly caring, and we can already see the amazing impact they are making in the lives of their children. This month, we are fundraising to help build a **CHICKEN HOUSE** for their home so the project can become more sustainable. Eggs are in high demand in Mwanzi, which means this initiative can help generate income for the home. The eggs can also be used as part of their healthy eating program or traded for other vegetables within the community. This is such an amazing initiative to get involved with! Please join us in making a real difference in these kids' lives!



**"If many little people in many little places do many little things, they can change the face of the world!"**



"We are Doe Mubiana and Carmen Loscertales, from Zambia and Spain, united by a shared passion for supporting children and youth in Mwanzi community. Through spending our days with children in the local ground, we began to understand the challenges many of them face. One day, we met an eight-year-old boy trying to play football with a badly injured arm. His friends told us he had fallen from a mango tree a week earlier, but he had never been taken to the hospital. As we followed up, we discovered he was living in an unfinished house with his grandparents and had never attended school. As we spent more time in the area, we realized his story was not unique. Many boys and girls from the same families and surroundings were growing up without parental care or protection. The streets had become their only place to play, survive, fetch water, and find food, while their elderly grandparents struggled to support them. Some older siblings had already dropped out of school, started families too early, or fallen into harmful behaviours. We knew we could not turn away. We decided to give these children a chance—to return to school, learn, and develop life skills such as personal hygiene, self-care, and dignity. From the very first day, their motivation and excitement to learn confirmed that this was the right decision. This is how Hope4Action was born: an NGO dedicated to providing a safe space, care, education, and life skills for children who lack parental support. Our mission is to bring hope, protection, and opportunities for every child to grow with confidence and dignity."

**"Hope teaches children that their story is still being written."**

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To celebrate our 10th year anniversary, this year we are giving back! Every month we are featuring a community project that we would like to support. The month of March we featured Hope4Action. We set out to raise enough money to make a chicken house for the center and guess what? We did it!! A huge thank you to Tobo who had a birthday and asked his friends to donate to our school. Thank you to Suzanne, Gunther, Sie and Frank! A huge thank you to the Taylors and Mark and Melissa from the USA! This is only made possible by you! Stay tuned for more updates!

### 10 YEARS-10 IMPACTS APRIL'S FOCAL PROJECT

#### DESANTO CENTRE FOR THE DEAF

For this month, we have chosen to support another school in our community that we absolutely love working with. The **DeSanto Centre for the Deaf** here in Livingstonia is a truly beautiful place with an incredibly warm environment where 24 children are supported, encouraged, and given access to the best possible education, all for free! Every child here is given the opportunity to learn, regardless of distance or financial challenges. It's a place where barriers are removed, confidence grows, and children are given the chance to build a brighter future. [www.desantocentreforthe deaf.org](http://www.desantocentreforthe deaf.org)



**What we would like to do!**  
The DeSanto Centre has recently finished building a new workshop, making it a place full of potential where students can learn practical, hands-on skills. We're hoping to raise enough money to buy them a new sewing machine. Sewing would give the students the chance to be creative, learn a valuable skill, and build confidence in what they can do. It's also an opportunity for independence and to be able to support themselves in the future.

**This is an amazing initiative that can be life changing for some of these students! Please join us in making a real difference today!**

**"Hands that speak can change the world."**

#### Donate Here

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"Across Southern Province, an estimated 300 or more deaf children have no access to sign language or formal education. In rural communities, deaf children have lived for generations without any means of communication, unable to connect even with their own families. For many, DeSanto is not simply a school. It is the first place they have ever truly been understood." - DeSanto Centre for the Deaf

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CHECK OUT

Our 10 year safari celebration!

[HTTPS://YOUTUBE/2WD9-GT3B8Q](https://youtu.be/2WD9-GT3B8Q)



GOOD BYE TO KATIE!

This month, we also said goodbye to Katie, who has been an integral part of Baobuyu for the past few years. Over the past two and a half years, Katie has contributed in countless ways: leading our interns, facilitating Girl Power lessons, serving as our computer guru, designing our new website, managing reports, and so much more. Her dedication, energy, and passion have left a lasting mark on our school. Katie, we are grateful for everything you've done to help Baobuyu grow and thrive. You will always be a cherished member of the Baobuyu family and we wish you nothing but the very best.

We wish you all the Best!



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