



**ANNUAL
REPORT 2019**





OUR PROMISE

2019 has been a year of consolidation for us here at the Land & Life Foundation. We saw our first few scholars complete their secondary education, with a fanfare of cake and laughter, and watched as some headed off to pick up their adult lives out in the world. Two stayed with us and moved on into tertiary or internships with Elewana, closing the circle and finally giving the Wildlife Warrior Program its shape and definition. We had our first real tragedy in the loss of Daniel Mukanye, one of our bright scholars, and in whose name the new Land & Life tertiary scholarship will now be awarded annually.

Our Wildlife Warrior retreat was, arguably, the most successful we have had yet - being at the coast in beautiful Mombasa really gave it that extra edge for a group of youngsters who had mostly never seen the sea. The Aitong Medical Camp featured our first volunteer doctors, and we broke new ground in Kenya with the data we gathered on HPV vaccines. New partnerships in Loisaba Conservancy and Amboseli led to some great new school support activities, and the production of the Wildlife Warrior Resource Pack towards the end of the year gave our sessions form and direction.

Our impact on local communities this year has been huge due to an upwelling of support for our schools

from our generous donors. We have been able to construct classrooms, a dormitory, a library, and a kitchen - we've donated books, desks, stationery and other supplies - we've judged art competitions, played football, held a Beach Olympics, thrown thousands of seedballs, watched films and documentaries, listened to poetry and taken students for game drives and visits to lodges. With an average of 500 students per school and 4 people per Kenyan family, we have impacted the lives of roughly 16,000 people through our school support program, and directly helped nearly 1000 at the Aitong Medical Camp.

We are ever grateful to the Elewana Collection and Cheli & Peacock Safaris, whose huge annual donation covers all our operational costs and allows us to operate. This also means we can promise other donors that their gifts will be used 100% for the projects on the ground, and this promise is something we are very proud of.

We would like to thank all those individuals - from those who brought pencils in their bags to those who held bake sales or ran marathons for us - whoever you are, however you helped, know that it makes a difference.

With best wishes
Hannah Wood



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2019 IN NUMBERS



555

CHILDREN IN
WILDLIFE WARRIOR CLUBS

41

WILDLIFE WARRIOR
SCHOLARS

2

WILDLIFE WARRIOR SCHOLARS IN
TERTIARY PROGRAM / ELEWANA
INTERNSHIP



THE SCHOOLS
WE HAVE WORKED WITH



SEEDBALLS THROWN
(256 KG)



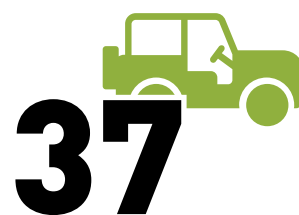
SCHOOL BUILDINGS
COMPLETED



PATIENTS TREATED
IN AITONG



HPV TESTS
GIVEN IN AITONG



GAME DRIVES OR LODGE VISITS
CHILDREN ENJOYED



PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER
ORGANISATIONS



NEWSLETTERS SENT



SOCIAL MEDIA
LIKES

WILDLIFE WARRIOR NETWORK

& THE SCHOOLS WE SUPPORT

KACHIURU PRIMARY SCHOOL

- No of students: 186

2019 Projects

- Donated a water bowser,
- Donated 3 computers
- Donated clipboards and pencil pouches

Wildlife Warrior club

- 26 WWC members, 8 scholars

EWASO PRIMARY SCHOOL

- No of students: 481

2019 Projects

- Distribution of reusable sanitary pads
- Distribution of clipboards to candidates.
- Distribution of pencil pouches to the students

Wildlife Warrior club

- 50 WWC members, 2 scholars

OLOLOMEI PRIMARY SCHOOL

- No of students: 320

2019 Projects

- Constructed one kitchen
- Donated 3 computers
- Distribution of clipboards to candidates
- Distribution of pencil pouches to the students

Wildlife Warrior Club

- 66 WWC members, 8 scholars

EMBITI PRIMARY SCHOOL

- No of students: 154

Facilities support

- Constructed 1 classroom
- Installed a rain water harvesting system
- Distribution of pencil pouches to the students

Wildlife Warrior Club

- 34 Members

GANAKO PRIMARY SCHOOL

- No of students: 510

2019 Projects

- Construction of playground
- Provision of preparation packs and breakfast and lunch for National Examination students

LAKE VICTORIA

TANZANIA

Masai Mara

Serengeti

Ngorongoro

Taran

ENGILAE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Wildlife Warrior club

- 6 scholars

URA GATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

- No of students: 460

2019 Projects

- Food for candidates and school at large,
- Repaired two inverters,
- Donated 3 computers
- Distribution of clipboards to candidates.
- Distribution of pencil pouches to the students

Wildlife Warrior Club

- 87 WWC members, 8 scholars

ESITETI PRIMARY SCHOOL

- No of students: 501

Facilities support

- Constructed 1 classroom
- Constructed a library,
- Completed the dormitory/ equipped the dormitory with 40 bunk beds and completed water connection to the boys' dormitory
- Playground
- Donated 3 computers
- Distribution of clipboards to candidates
- Distribution of pencil pouches to the students

Wildlife Warrior Club

- 79 members , 8 scholars

MWARONI PRIMARY SCHOOL

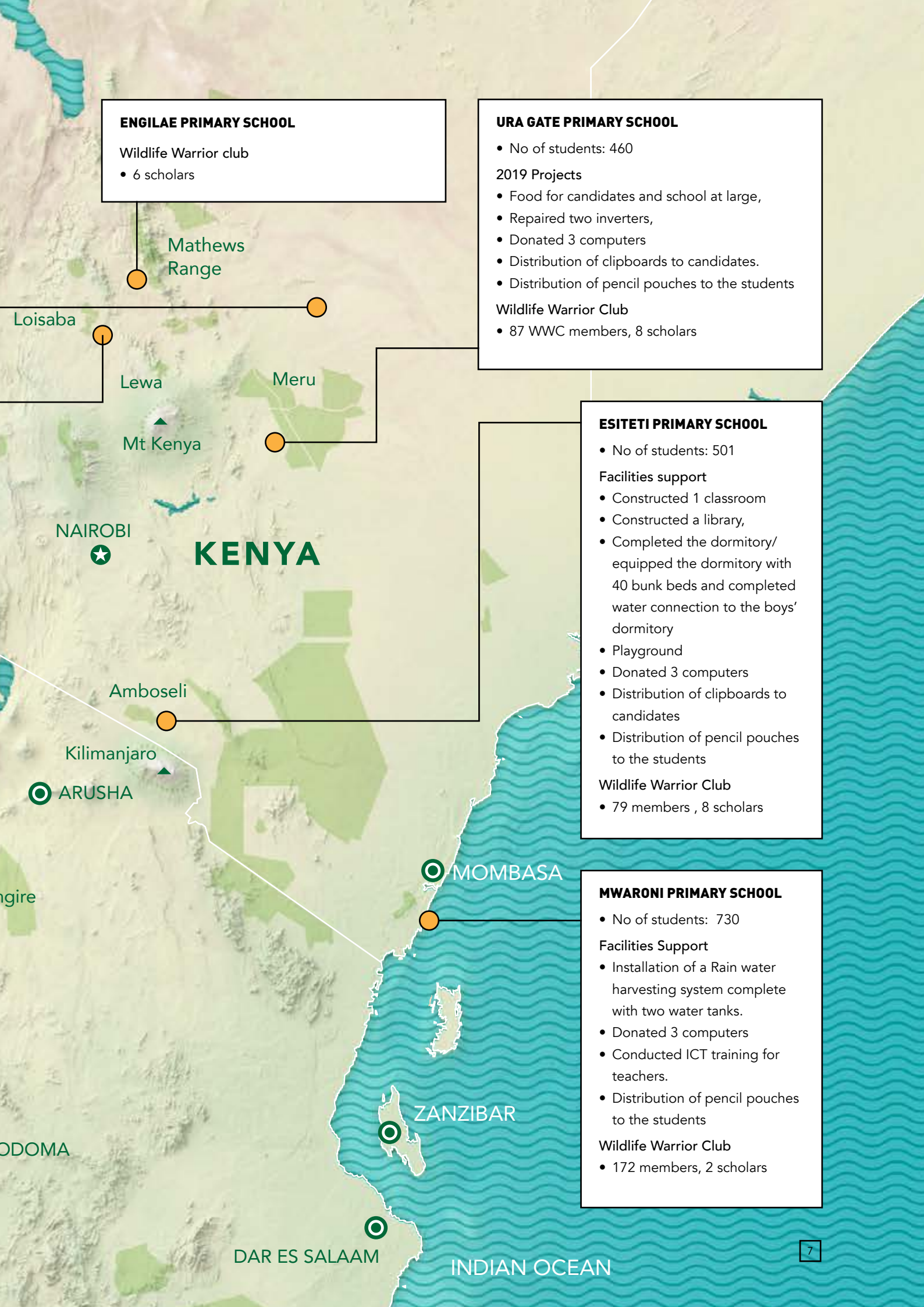
- No of students: 730

Facilities Support

- Installation of a Rain water harvesting system complete with two water tanks.
- Donated 3 computers
- Conducted ICT training for teachers.
- Distribution of pencil pouches to the students

Wildlife Warrior Club

- 172 members, 2 scholars



MEET THE WILDLIFE WARRIORS

SHARON KATHURE

Scored a mean grade of C in her final



Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education. She is keen to join Elewana Collection trainee program in 2020 and later work in the tourism and conservation industry.

HARON MUGAMBI

Scored a mean grade of C- in his final Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education. He expressed a desire to repeat Form 4 with hopes of scoring a higher grade. We wish Haron all the very best in his education.



DANIEL KASALE

Currently in his third year at Moi Secondary School Naikarra.



VALLARY KIRAPASH

In her third year of at Lemek Namunyak Girl's Secondary School.



HASSAN ABDI

Completed his secondary school education this year and scored a mean grade of C+ in his final Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education. He is keen to pursue a tourism, conservation and wildlife related course at the university. He has applied for the Land & Life's Daniel Mukenye Scholarship award for academic excellence for which he is eligible.



PAUL KISIOKI

In his third year of school at Enkii Boys Secondary School.



FREDY LENKUPAE

In his third year at Uaso Secondary School.



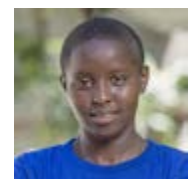
RUTH WACHIRA

In her third year of school at Rombo Girls Boarding Secondary School.



LILIAN KISEMEI

Currently in her third year at Kisaruni Girls Secondary School



ELOSY MUKAMI

Completed her secondary education this year. She was expecting her first child when she sat for her final national examination. She is determined to pursue higher education and provide the best for her child. We are committed to supporting Elosy in the coming years.



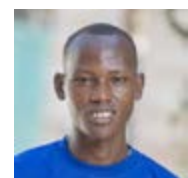
TIMOTHY KASHINGO

In his third year of School at Enkii Boys Secondary School.



CHRISTIAN LIKAM

Currently in his third year of school at Enkorika Secondary School.



WINFRED NDANU

In her third year of school at Yururu Girls Secondary School.



**BEATRICE
MACHARIA**

Currently in
her third year
of school at
Muthambi Girls Secondary School.



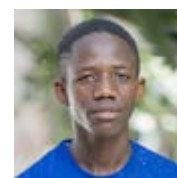
ALEX LESISA

Currently in
his second
year at Mulet
Secondary
School.



**GODFREY
UHURU**

Currently in
his second
year at Mutuati
Secondary School.



**SILVESTER
KISEMEI**

Currently in his
third year at
Kisaruni Group
of Schools



NELLY NAIYESO

Currently in her
second year at
Rombo Girls
Secondary
School.



**BRIAN
MUTEMBEI**

Currently in
his second
year at Mutuati
Secondary School.



**CAREEN
KISEMEI**

Currently in her
third year of
school at Lemek
Namunyak Girls Secondary.



**MUSA ROBERT
KISIOKI**

Currently in his
second year
at Ilkisonko
Secondary School.



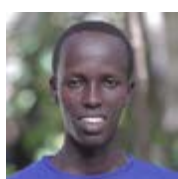
**HELLEN LAYON
KISEMEI**

Currently in
her first year at
Sekenani Girls
High School.



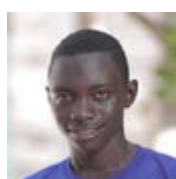
**TIMOTHY
MUTEGI**

Currently in his
third year of
school at Chuka
Boys High School.



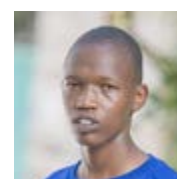
**TIPAPE
SITONIK**

Currently in his
second year of
school at Enkii
Boys Secondary School.



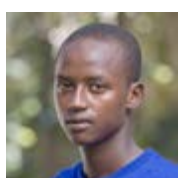
**WILSON
KIBELEKENYA**

Currently in his
first year at SR.
Mary Stephen
Nkoitoi Secondary School.



**KELVIN
LERUGUM**

Currently in
his third year
of school at
Maralal High School.



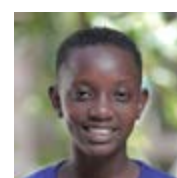
LUCY GACHERI

Currently in
her second
year of school
at Kirigara
Secondary School.



**EMMACULATE
NENKAI**

Currently in
her first year at
Rombo Girls
Secondary School.



**PENINAH
LENTUKUNYE**

Currently in
her third year
at Kisima Girls
Secondary School.



**MARTIN
CHABARI**

Currently in his
second year
at Tharaka
Secondary School.



**BENJAMIN
SIRINKETI**

Currently in his
first year at Moi
Highs School
Mbiruri.



**FELISTER
NASEI**

Currently in her
second year of
school at Lemek
Namunyak Girls Secondary.



**IRENE ESTHER
GAKII**

Currently in her
second year at
Naathu Mixed
Secondary School.



**NAOMI
NEMAYIAN**

Currently in her
second year at
Christ the King
Secondary School.



**DORIS
KATHAMBI**

Currently in
her first year at
Kirigara Girls
Secondary School.



**PHENIUS
MUNYOKI**

Currently in
his first year at
Baricho Boys
Secondary School.



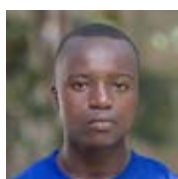
VEVIAN KARUI

Currently in
her first year
at Mfariji Girls'
Secondary
School.



JOAB MUTUGI

Currently in
his first year
at Thitha
Secondary
School.



DASMOM GAKII

Currently in
her first year
at Akithii Girls
Secondary
School.



**KASSIM KATIBA
NZAO**

Currently in
his first year at
Msambweni
Secondary School.



**BENDITA
JOAKIM**

Currently in
currently in her
first year at St.
Mary's Girls High School, Igoji.



NEWS & UPDATES

WILDLIFE WARRIOR MATERIALS

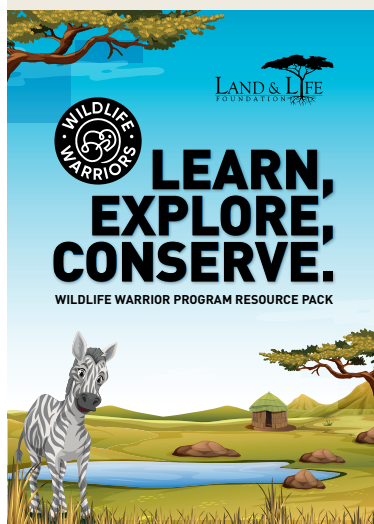
Learn, Explore, Conserve

This Wildlife Warrior Resource Pack has been developed specifically for the Wildlife Warriors of East Africa. Bright young conservationists armed with in depth knowledge and understanding offer our world the best hope of not only survival but of development and bettering of lives for all. The resource pack features nine units, each with a

different conservation or environmental focus. The information and activities are designed to promote a collaborative "active learning" approach that emphasizes hands-on learning and enhances the value of shared experiences.

The Wildlife Warriors Resource Pack is aimed specifically at an East African audience, with relevant examples, illustrations and contexts. Every chapter has simple exercises that enable students to work directly with the material alone or in small groups, and can easily be adapted or expanded by the teacher or session leader. Topics range from human-wildlife conflict and soils and sustainable agriculture to waste and recycling and urban development.

We hope that the topics and themes in each unit will enable Wildlife Warriors and students to have a clearer understanding of the subject and generate discussion and debate. We look forward to spreading conservation education far across our region and helping young people to reap the benefits in their bright and hopeful futures.





THE WILDLIFE WARRIOR RETREAT

This year, we held the Annual Wildlife Warrior Retreat in Mombasa on the Kenyan coast. A group of 40 scholars and 10 patrons from the six supported schools attended the Retreat, accompanied by one member of staff from the Elewana Collection, one from Cheli & Peacock Safaris and two from the Land & Life Foundation.

Our adventure began on the 1st of December when all the scholars left their homes around Kenya to travel to Nairobi to spend the night together before embarking on the journey to Mombasa. The group was hosted at the Wildlife Clubs of Kenya campus in Langata, long time friends of Land & Life. The day was quite tricky to manage, as weather conditions in the wider part of the country were quite dodgy! Finally however all scholars and patrons arrived safely at the campus before dark.



On the same day, Steve from Land & Life travelled to Mombasa as an advance party, to ensure the grounds were set for the rest of the team when they arrive on the following day. On the first night, the students got a warm reception from the team in Nairobi and a warm meal helped them settle in better in preparation for an early morning trip to Mombasa the following day.



On the second day, the scholars left the campus for the train station at 5am. While trains may be routine for many people reading this, for these children it was an experience of a lifetime! The famous Madaraka Express train was commissioned a few years ago marking a transformation to a newer faster generation of trains. Since then, many Kenyans hope to have the chance to ride the train one day. For these students, it was no different as the excitement on their faces told this tale. The trip to Mombasa through the beautiful Kenyan countryside lasted six hours after which they arrived safe and sound at the Wildlife Clubs of Kenya Campus.

Upon arrival, the scholars were served some snacks to cool off and rejuvenate before heading out for a relaxed evening at the beach. At first, everyone was calm and collected despite it being the first time many had seen the sea! However in no time, the heat became unbearable and the students and patrons splashed into the sea fully-clothed, enjoying the water and the sand. After two hours of beach fun, it was time to have dinner and the day was over.

On Tuesday morning the Land & Life team took the lead, with the first session focusing on Oceans and the Marine World, a topic in the new Wildlife Warrior Program curriculum. We had the pleasure of hosting two members of partner organisation the Local Ocean Trust from Watamu and they took over the second session of the day.



As specialists in marine conservation, the Local Ocean trust team, under the guidance of Nevil, took the students through the importance of turtle conservation.

In the afternoon, the Wildlife Warriors visited Haller Park, a reclaimed site now dedicated to wildlife and education. The visit showcased how to reclaim land and establish a whole new ecosystem where life was previously considered non-existent. The warriors enjoyed up-close views of diverse animal species including crocodiles, hippos, snakes, and fish species, and were lucky enough to witness feeding time too.



On the fourth and last day in Mombasa, the students engaged in a role play session guided by the Land & Life team. The Warriors, in groups, wrote and presented short plays on how they best understood the issues they had learnt concerning the conservation of marine life. After this session, they also enjoyed the opportunity to learn from our hosts, Wildlife Clubs of Kenya, who gave a talk on the Blue Economy.



The afternoon session was fantastic for everyone, as the warriors were taken for a game drive in the sea! We hired two glass bottom boats and went to the Mombasa Marine Park where they were able to see different species of fish and corals. The trip was memorable for the young Wildlife Warriors as all but a few had never been out on the ocean before. This was a great eye opener to them especially on marine ecosystems and conservation of unique marine life.

When they came back to the campus, we held a closing ceremony with the outgoing candidates cutting cake to mark the end of their six year journey with us and the beginning of a new life ahead of them



WILDLIFE WARRIOR SCHOOLS



EMBITI PRIMARY SCHOOL

This year Embiti has benefitted from a close relationship with Elewana Sand River. The Land & Life team have visited three times and conducted Wildlife Warrior Club activities on topics including oceans and wildlife. We installed a new water tank and plumbed in the school to the village water pump, and we also installed a rainwater harvesting and guttering system. We constructed a classroom housing up to 50 students thanks to generous donors the Scopa family, and also raised funds to build a teachers accommodation block from new supporters the Belton Foundation, construction of which will be undertaken in 2020.



ESITETI PRIMARY SCHOOL

Esiteti has had a busy year with the completion of the fourth and final classroom, closing in the square, completion of a large boys dormitory catering for up to 80 children, and finally the fantastic new library courtesy of long-time partners and friends the AE Reimann Foundation and SKAL International Monaco. Funds have also been raised for construction of a school kitchen, which will begin work in the New Year. Land & Life team members have visited many times and conducted Wildlife Warrior Club activities as well as seedballing and monitoring of construction. There are 69 students on some form of bursary or sponsorship at Esiteti, some of which are directly funded by Elewana Tortilis Camp staff.



KACHIURU PRIMARY SCHOOL

Just like many parts of the country, Kachiuru experienced severe drought. Food and water was scarce. The school administration reached out to us. With the help of our supporters we were able to provide full meals to the grade 8 students while they were sitting for their national examinations. We also provided the school with 10,000 litres of water. We are looking at finding permanent solutions to these challenges by looking for potential partnerships with local not-for profit organisations whose focus is food security and water conservation. Land & Life also donated 3 desktop computers to the school bringing to fruition the second phase of our digital literacy project that we rolled out last year. Our goal is to ensure that all our teachers acquire the necessary ICT skills that will enhance learners' experience in the classroom.

Early marriage is rampant in this region and it poses a real threat to our Wildlife Warrior Program. To date we have had three female young warriors drop out of school due to early marriages and teen pregnancies. Our goal as Land & Life is to continue supporting these young mothers through mentorship and education support to ensure that they reach their full potential.

OLOLOMEI PRIMARY SCHOOL

After years of cooking over an open fire, on three stones, preparing food for over 400 children, we finally provided Ololomei Primary with their first modern kitchen thanks to our valuable supporters, guests of Elewana Elephant Pepper Camp including Bob Brooks, Mark Ruggeberg, Charlotte Szul, Ellen and Owen Reifel, Katherine, Quarton and family and many others. Land & Life team members visited Ololomei several times to monitor construction and also provided Wildlife Warrior Club sessions throughout the year.



URA GATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Ura Gate Primary had a rough start in 2019. Just like Kachiuru, Tharaka Nithi County, where the school is located, experienced severe drought after two failed rain seasons. For a community that relies on rain-fed agriculture this presented many problems especially for the children. Enrollment in school was declining because like many rural schools in Kenya, the greatest motivation for the children to attend school is the availability of meals. The school sent us a passionate appeal to provide food for the children and we are happy to report that with the help of our friends - singling out two wonderful ladies, Karen Mahler and Julie Morman (guests staying at Elewana Elsa's Kopje) - we were able to provide enough food for the entire school during the last school term of 2019. We look forward to working very closely with the new Manager and the guests of Elewana Elsa's Kopje to make sure that the promise made to this community, that of ensuring that they receive benefits from wildlife

MWARONI PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mwaroni has enjoyed a deepening relationship with Land & Life, now into our second year of partnership. The team has visited Mwaroni six times to conduct Wildlife Warrior activities, always accompanied by Elewana Afrochic staff members. Towards the end of the year, thanks to the unwavering support from our staunch supporter Faye Herriot and the Dublin A.M. Rotary club and their friend Ruan Ernst we provided the school with a rain-water harvesting system complete with gutters and two 5,000 litres water tanks. The school administration is ecstatic as they have been able to collect plenty of water for their every day use over this rainy season.



EWASO PRIMARY SCHOOL

Ewaso has been supported by Loisaba Conservancy for some time and therefore Land & Life was delighted to join in and bring further benefits to this local community. The Wildlife Warrior Club was started here in March 2019, when a session looking at forestry and a seedballing activity were held for the first time. Land & Life revisited the school twice in the year to hold further conservation education sessions and also to conduct the first Wildlife Warrior Scholarship examination. We also ran a feminine hygiene education session with donations of reusable pads and a session on how to use them for the girls. Donations of school materials and clothing were delivered, and the relationship with the school continues to develop, hand in hand with our partners Loisaba Conservancy



MORIJO PRIMARY SCHOOL

The new partnership between Morijo, Elewana Lodo Springs and Land & Life, hand in hand with Loisaba Conservancy, has only just begun and shows every sign of bringing huge support to a small and needy community. Elewana Lodo Springs team visited with Land & Life and Loisaba staff to distribute food and clothing to the children, and further developments are planned in 2020.

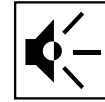


GANAKO PRIMARY SCHOOL

This school year began well for Ganako with the construction of a school playground by Elewana The Manor Ngorongoro, funded through donations from Land & Life supporters and Elewana guests. Land & Life visited three times throughout the year bringing donations of books and other classroom supplies, and in September provided pre-examination breakfasts and end of school packs for the Standards Six pupils sitting their final exams. Funding for the school has increased thanks to a burgeoning partnership with Gigi Seasons who have raised funds for construction of a school kitchen - this project gets underway in 2020 and will support the schools further development.

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THE INTERVIEW



ALISON AND TOM - GENERAL MANAGERS, ELEWANA ELEPHANT PEPPER CAMP

Tell us something that most people don't know about you.

Alison: since I was 5 years of age I wanted to come to Africa and see

cheetah in the wild.

Tom: taught English in a Buddhist Monastery in Myanmar.

What would you say is the key to success when working with communities?

Spending regular time with the community, respecting and showing an interest in their culture. Giving your commitment and working together. Even on a busy month at the camp it is important to take time out and visit the school, clinic, local market and manyatta. We support the local community not just with the 2 projects but also buying locally vegetables, goat meat, also beadwork from the masai ladies.

You have been very successful in fundraising in support of Ololomei Primary School and Aitong Health Centre - what's your fundraising strategy?

Having a personal passion about the school and clinic. Spending time talking to guests and explaining what we have achieved and what we want to fund raise for. I made a booklet which is displayed in the lounge / bar with photos I have taken from my visits and information I have put together myself. It gives guests time and opportunity to read about the work we have done in the community. From this guests ask questions and often want to make a donation to our projects. Also having 1 project to focus on and raise funds for, gives a real purpose and something to aim for. Encouraging guests to visit the school and clinic when they are on a game drive.

During my off/leave days I spent time giving talks to the local Primary School children in the UK. A photographic presentation with handouts explaining the Masai culture, how they live, how they build a house, what they eat, what the school/classrooms are

like, what games they play, what subjects they learn at school. I wanted to give children in the UK a real idea of the life of a Masai child. From these talks the children did a fund raising event and raised money for Ololomei School.

How do you juggle your demanding work as GMs with the needs of fulfilling community support and commitments?

Allocating time during the day to work on the projects. Using spare / down time chatting to the guests about the school/clinic.

What's your best memory when working with Ololomei or Aitong?

Ololomei - for 1 year we worked on fund raising to build a small classroom for the pre school children, seeing the classroom finished with desks / posters and the children using the classroom gave real pride and personal satisfaction.

When we visit the clinic it is so nice to be greeted and welcomed by the staff and community, and appreciated for what we have done to help them.

When travelling around the Mara, communities and guides recognise us for the work we have done at Aitong Clinic and Ololomei Primary School.

What would you most like to see achieved during your time working with the Ololomei School and Aitong Clinic?

At Ololomei Primary School we have achieved so much in 2.5 years, building a small classroom, kitchen and store, providing desks, and a huge selection of stationary. Providing scholarship for 2 children each year to continue their education to secondary school.

Aitong Clinic we have supported medical camp each year for 3 days, giving over 1000 people from the local community each year access to doctors and free medical care. Donations of a laptop and medical equipment have been given.

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MEDICAL SUPPORT

8TH AITONG MEDICAL CAMP

2019 was a great year for our community in Aitong, Masai Mara. We ran our 8th successful medical camp between 29th and 31st October 2019, at which 961 patients were treated free of charge by our group of volunteer doctors from Kenya and overseas. This brings the total number of patients treated since Land & Life's inception to over 5,400.

It was also an exciting event for us because we forged new partnerships and reached a large number of people, both for treatment and for messaging around health and family planning. We are delighted that the Angama Foundation and Maasai Mara Wildlife Conservancies Association (MMWCA) came on board to support us both in cash and in kind with advice and assistance. This is a clear indication that our visibility and impacts are now being felt more than ever. Our Aitong story was aired on the national Kenya Television Network (KTN), Radio Citizen and Radio Mayian the Maa vernacular station. According to GeoPoll, a consumer research company, KTN television enjoys 11% of Kenya's market share and comes only second to Citizen TV which enjoys 26%. Radio Citizen owned by Royal Media Services is the most listened to radio station with a general listenership of 1.1 million people per day. Radio Mayian on the other hand owned by Mediamax has a listenership of about half a million a day. The medical camp was also featured in the latest edition of Safarilink's 'The Link' that has a readership of 36,000 per month. Looking ahead, we hope to garner even more partnerships in 2020 so that we can take our community one step closer to realizing their desire for a good, healthy future.



Cervical cancer is the second most common cancer amongst women aged 15-49 years old. It is one of the only cancers that can be prevented before it develops through vaccination and screening. Screening with the appropriate test allows doctors to determine if a woman is at risk and what needs to be done to prevent development of the disease. On 18th October 2019, Kenya President Uhuru Kenyatta launched a HPV vaccination campaign aimed at protecting women against this cancer. The vaccine against Human Papillomavirus (HPV) was and will continue to be administered to girls and women aged 10 years and above. The vaccine is available in all Public Health Facilities, as well as Private, Faith Based and Non- Governmental Organization health facilities.

In line with this nationwide initiative, together with our partners we embarked on a HPV self- collection campaign in Aitong from 14th to 20th October. The samples were obtained by the woman themselves, using a brush. We were cognizant of the fact that uptake would be higher if we eliminated pelvic exams. This is because some women especially those who have experienced abuse or are otherwise marginalized may find self-sampling preferable due to cultural or religious inhibitions as well embarrassment or discomfort associated with pelvic exams. We are happy to report that 138 women braved heavy rains and showed up in Aitong during the campaign.

Their samples were sent to a lab that specializes in DNA testing. All women who tested

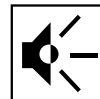
were asked to collect their results during the free medical camp. 32 of the women tested positive for HPV. Out of these, 11 had biopsy specimens taken and they were tested further to rule out cancer.

We believe that HPV screening using the self-collection method will continue to play an important role in allowing early detection and treatment and will achieve a maximal impact on cervical cancer prevention. Screening can detect cancer at an early stage enabling women to receive treatment when it is highly effective. This and the increasing availability of HPV vaccination for women and girls, and the potential for reduction of the possibility of developing cervical cancer later in life. This however, does not eliminate the need for regular screening when women get older and that is why we keen to make this a long term project.



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THE INTERVIEW



REAL LIFE IMPACT - DR CLAUDIA MASON, DONOR AND VOLUNTEER

What motivated you to get involved in Land and Life /Aitong medical camp?

Dr Mason: During my visit to Elewana Elephant Pepper Camp, I was able to tour the Aitong Health Center. While I was there, I learned that cervical cancer screening was desired, but lacking on a large scale to accommodate the local population. As a physician, I understand that healthcare is not equally accessible to everyone. The fact that the camp was already an ongoing and organized event, and my specific skills were desired, clinched the decision to offer myself to the community.

How did you raise funds to support your endeavour?

Dr Mason: Facebook! I was lucky to obtain funding for work at the Camp from the Sam and Connie Frankino Family Foundation for my initial attendance at the Camp. When the immediate need arose to offer more women HPV screening, a funding source needed to be located on short notice. I put out the request to all of my Facebook friends, most of whom are lifelong friends, relatives and colleagues. They answered the call to help raise additional funds in a few days to allow more women to be screened than originally projected.

What do you see as the goals for next year's Aitong Medical Camp?

Dr Mason: My personal goals for the 2020 Camp are firstly to continue to support Aitong Health Center staff with instruction in guidelines for screening, use of equipment and how to access remote support. I'd like to expand HPV self-testing to more women as a primary screen for cervical cancer and also to provide specialized gynecology care for cervical cancer screening. My hope is to provide on-site same day

treatment via cryosurgery for women with cervical disease, and to provide gynecologic care for clinic attendees. And finally it's important to engage other physicians in Kenya and government entities to begin thinking of cervical cancer screening and care as possible in rural environments

What would you like to see happen over the next five years?

Dr Mason: I'd like to see an increase in both knowledge and capability to support cervical cancer screening, identification of disease and treatment at the center by center staff. I'd like to help the community address alternative ways to manage heavy lifting, bending, stooping and straining which contribute to many of the medical complaints. These must be locally acceptable solutions such as use of carts for heavy lifting, training in appropriate lifting mechanisms and ergonomics, back supports. Also important is improving access to clean water for daily use. And finally I would hope to improve provision of health education on topics such as hygiene, identification and avoidance of preventable illness/accidents, proper nutrition throughout the life cycle, and inclusion of family planning as a positive impact on family welfare

What was your most memorable moment during the camp?

Dr Mason: My bond with Serafina, my translator/nurse/assistant/partner during the camp was a priceless connection. She worked alongside me the entire time, and did double duty as required to assist, calm patients, and manage the days we were at Camp. In addition the camaraderie of all of the staff, and physicians I met is a memory of a lifetime.

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NATURE CONSERVATION

RANDILEN WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

This year the Land & Life Foundation and Elewana Tarangire Treetops helped Randilen WMA achieve a Tanzanian first - installing an underground hide and adjoining waterhole! The project was managed by Honeyguide Foundation hand in hand with the WMA team themselves and the results have been exciting. A 20 foot container was cut to size, viewing holes cut in the side and a doorway and ventilation windows added. The container was sunk into the ground and earth piled up across the top, with a long access path dug from the car park area some distance away. The access path was covered by netting and then bushes and trees so that guests are able to silently, invisibly enter the hide, undetected by any animals present. In front of the hide a waterhole was dug, fed with water pumped by a solar powered pump. The viewing windows look out at water level across the waterhole, providing a fantastic view of drinking bathing elephant or other animals.





The hide is a new attraction for Randilen and it is hoped that as the wildlife learn about the waterhole and begin to frequent the area, this will add to the unique experience offered by Randilena and increase visitor numbers. This in turn will bring in additional funds for the WMA, funds which can be used to continue to protect and conserve this remarkable natural habitat.

Added efforts to enhance guest experience within Randilen have included road maintenance, addition of new and improved game drive tracks, and most notably provision of an ablutions block at the base of Sunset Hill. Guests thoroughly enjoy an evening sundowner atop the hill and an ablutions block at the base allows them to enjoy the ensuing night game drive in comfort before returning late to the camp. The Honeyguide Foundation has also installed a new airstrip in Randilen, and this is also served by the ablutions block. Guests can now fly directly into the WMA, saving a long drive from Arusha and adding to the exclusivity of the experience.

As ever, Land & Life provided funding for Honeyguide Foundation's successful human-elephant conflict mitigation kits, and this funding was once again matched by our sister organisation Golden Triangle Asian Elephant Foundation.

IMPACT & REACH

4th December 2019

Dear Land & Life Foundation

I am writing to thank you for the support you have done for me this four years to help me complete my secondary school education.

I really appreciate Land & Life Foundation for your inspiration to me to be focussed in education and to be humble to my parents. But more than that you guided me on how to conserve our environment and also conserve wildlife for our benefit. Your support have made me to fulfill my dream to be a conservationist in future.

All support you gave me helped me to reach the place i have reached. I could never have received this completing secondary school education without you. May almighty God grant you peace in your work and in all your endeavours.

Thank you very much

Sincerely
Hassan Abdi (WWP scholar)

25th November 2019

To: Land & Life Foundation

RE: PASSING MY GRATITUDE FOR THE FOUR YEARS SCHOLARSHIP IN HIGH SCHOOL

May I take this chance to thank the omniscient God for enabling me to reach this juncture. Partially to Land & Life Foundation fraternity. I sincerely lack terms to pass my gratitude to you. Surely the academic and health support you offered to me has greatly enhanced my completion of my secondary school education. All I can say long live Land & Life fraternity!

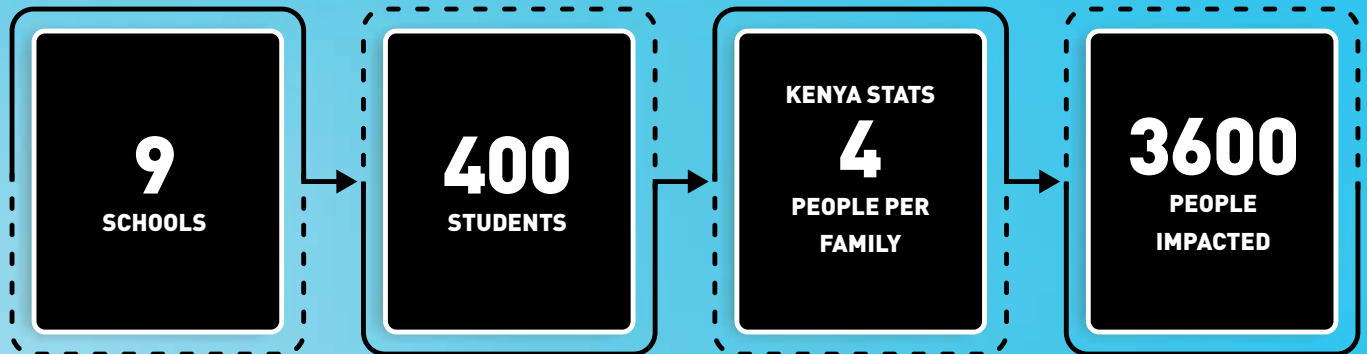
For the four years and at my tender age I cannot get anything to refund you the much contribution you have made in my life. The best reward I can give is good results and much prayers so that God may straighten and shower you with much benedictions.

I promise to do my best and make it as you have made it. Greet the other scholars and inform them to work smart.

Yours sincerely
Elosy Mukami (WWP scholar)



SCHOOL SUPPORT: IN NUMBERS



NEXT STEPS : INTO THE WORLD



Joel Lepuyapui
Elewana Trainee



Dancun Mugambi
Daniel Mukenye Scholar



FINANCIAL SUMMARY

PROJECT	BROUGHT FORWARD	2019 INCOME	TOTAL AVAILABLE	2019 EXPENDITURE	AVAILABLE FUNDS
AfroChic Mwaroni	-308.77	4,918.02	4,609.25	2,676.47	1,932.78
Ura Gate Primary School	5,052.85	1,576.67	6,629.52	3,629.80	2,999.72
Aitong Health Centre	0	7,711.94	7,711.94	9,383.93	-1,671.99
Ololomei Primary School	5,870.44	9,963.49	15,833.93	16,705.01	-871.08
Kachiuru Primary School	411.94	1,212.77	1,624.71	230.29	1,394.42
Embiti Primary School	6,434.93	39,376.88	45,811.81	15,118.02	30,693.79
Esiteti Primary School	126,039.48	100,636.69	226,676.17	107,055.19	119,620.98
Wildlife Warrior Program	47,975.46	15,815.05	63,790.51	24,342.53	39,447.98
Engilae School	1,435.00	1,221.25	2,656.25	0	2,656.25
General	-5,730.34	4,973.26	-757.08	1,612.52	-2,369.60
Elephant Conservation	0	5,827.08	5,827.08	5,000.00	827.08
Ganako Primary School	927.5	17,712.95	18,640.45	100	18,540.45
Ewaso Primary School	0	430	430	421.57	8.43
Moriyo Primary School	0	60	60	0	60
TOTAL	186,936.49	211,436.05	398,372.54	186,275.34	212,097.20



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NARRATIVES

GIRLS IN EDUCATION - EWASO PADS

Access to sanitary products is essential for anyone who menstruates. But here in East Africa, many women and girls can't afford to buy or don't have access to the safe sanitary products that they need to manage their periods without shame or stigma. Girls are often forced to use whatever they can to manage their periods, including rags, newspapers and even tree leaves or mud. For the ones who are able to access some sanitary towels, many have no choice but to re-use the same, used one for many days. In both instances women and girls put their health at a serious risk

Use of disposable sanitary products is also harming the environment. Most sanitary pads contain up to 90% plastic, while tampons have plastic applicators and sometimes come in individual plastic wrappers. The production of plastic and improper disposal of these products is causing increased pollution and filling up landfills

The solution? Well, the approach Land & Life is taking for now is provision of reusable sanitary pads, designed to provide protection and comfort for girls. The pads are made from high-performance textiles and can be washed and dried before safe and comfortable reuse, making them a cost-effective and eco-friendly solution.

Thanks to a generous donation, 86 girls received one pack each of reusable pads, with each pack containing 4 reusable pads and 1 storage bag. The donation was accompanied by menstrual hygiene training and the appropriate use and care of the pads from Unita Mesami, the Education Officer from Loisaba Conservancy. One pack of pads should last each girl up to 12 months, saving the need to worry for a whole year and reducing waste considerably.



GOODBYE DANIEL

Daniel was a vibrant young man full of promise. He loved playing football and reading. His career of choice was safari guide. However, during the course of his secondary school education, Daniel would fall sick on and off and each time his test results would reveal a different diagnosis. This greatly affected his class attendance and academic performance. In early 2019 he fell sick again and was found to have advanced pulmonary tuberculosis. He succumbed to the disease and passed away on the 30th of March at Longiza

Referral hospital in Narok. His death robbed his community and the Land & Life family a promising, hardworking, determined boy who had a very bright future ahead of him.

In his honour, in June 2019 we started the Daniel Mukenye Scholarship Award for Academic Excellence for tertiary education in his memory. The aim of the scholarship is to nurture and support emerging young conservationists so that they can one day become conservation ambassadors within their communities. Recipients of this award are selected based on their potential to become conservation leaders, influencing local or national conservation issues in their home and country. In addition to this, Land & Life has also committed to educate Daniel's younger siblings throughout their Primary School education. Daniel will forever be in our hearts and will never be forgotten.

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