The WK Voice

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Note from the Director

Welcome to our first monthly journal! Over the next nine editions, we will explore our Vision, Mission, and Core Values. Today, we clarify our name: Wild Kids Academy. While the term "Wild" can be misleading, for us it represents a deep reconnection with nature and one's authentic self. We empower students to become environmental stewards while helping them become conscious of their unique talents and self-awareness. To be "Wild" is to be resilient and balanced, much like a healthy ecosystem. Our goal is to foster a harmonious relationship between nature and society through a holistic education. It is the courage to learn outdoors, respecting the Earth's rhythms and a child's innate curiosity. "Wild" is our path to excellence, autonomy, and growth. Join us next month as we dive into our Vision!

Laura Erculei

TRACKS OF WONDER: A Lesson in Coexistence

On January 21st, the Ministry was alerted to tracks near our school. Officer Mr. Sitwala confirmed they belonged to a lion, a rare event in residential areas. In a special interview, our students Bright Sanzila and Brionna Mabuku (Grade 7 learners) asked why such a majestic predator would come so close. The answer lies in habitat loss and climate change, factors that sometimes push wildlife to seek food beyond their usual range.

Instead of panic, this became a unique classroom. While Mbeha (Gr. 4) admitted, "I was scared," Sasha (Gr. 8) saw a lesson in "respecting boundaries." Mr. Sitwala explained that coexistence is managed through satellite collars and the "Lion Guardians" program, noting that relocation only happens if an animal is a direct threat.



Being a "Wild Kid" means moving from fear to pride. The Ministry suggests that schools can help by creating Environmental Clubs and inviting experts. As Grace (Gr. 7) noted, protecting these animals is protecting our future. Living where nature knocks on our door is a privilege; it teaches us that while long-term solutions for conflict are complex, the first step is always awareness and respect.

WILD WINGS Taking Flight for Nature and Community

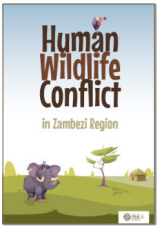
"Wild Wings" is the operative heart of Wild Kids Academy. Guided by self-awareness and a deep connection to our surroundings, this initiative empowers our learner and staff to become active leaders in both environmental conservation and social responsibility.
The name symbolizes the transition from knowledge to action: the four booklets we have written are our "feathers," but our work in the field is our "flight." Whether we are safeguarding the Zambezi's biodiversity or supporting a neighbor in need, Wild Wings operates on the principle that a healthy environment and a thriving society are inseparable. This year, we invite every learner, from the youngest to the oldest, to join us. Together, we will monitor our rivers, protect our wildlife, and lift our community, proving that even small actions can create a powerful wave of change.

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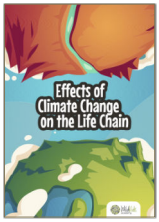
2026: The Year of the River

Understanding our water systems is crucial for our future. Throughout 2026, we will explore the river ecosystem through the lens of our existing booklets: from riparian trees to human-wildlife coexistence at the water's edge. This journey will culminate in the creation of our 5th Booklet: The Life of the River. By studying the currents, the fish, and the communities that depend on these waters, we will learn how to be better guardians of this vital resource. Our exploration starts now!









KINDNESS IN MOTION

The teachers of Wild Kids Academy stepped up to make a difference through their Kindness in Motion initiative, leading a stationery drive to support a Grade 12 learner at CSSS, Aldenia Mahunga. They also reached out to the community and successfully involved CKP Stationers in the initiative, showing the power of teamwork and care.



On 29 January 2026, Aldenia received new exercise books, covers, name tags and daily stationery from Wild Kids Academy, along with a backpack, calculator and pencil case donated by CKP Stationers, after recent floods damaged her school supplies.

This caring effort reminds us that kindness starts with action and that working together can turn challenges into hope.

MEET THE WILD KIDS STAFF



Mrs Zulu
Pricinpal



Ms Hambiuka
UP HOD



Ms Malumo
JP HOD



Ms Sialima
JS HOD



Ms Muyatwa
JS Teacher



Mr Lutuhezi
UP Teacher



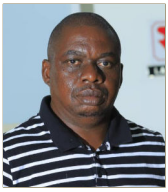
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Mr Kasanda
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Ms Matope
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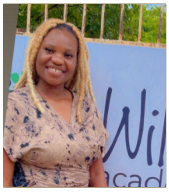
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JP Teacher



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Mrs Mwala
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Ms Likando
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Ms Kasale
Ground Staff

THE VALUES COMPASS



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At Wild Kids Academy, we believe that education is not just about uniforms and report cards. True education is what shapes how you think, decide, and lead. Respect is the heartbeat of this journey.

Listen to Your Inner Voice: Respect starts inside you. It means having the courage to do the right thing even when no one is watching. Don't just follow the crowd; listen to your conscience. It is the "moral brake" that keeps you on the right path.

Build Your Inner Strength: Respecting yourself means knowing your value. When you face pressure or failure, don't let it break you. Use it to grow stronger! A "Wild Kid" develops a tough mind and a brave heart, staying true to themselves without needing everyone's approval.

Master Your Tools: School gives you the tools (Academic Education), but respect gives you the wisdom to use them. Remember: a high grade without discipline is like a powerful engine without a steering wheel.

Be Wild and Wise: In the bush, we respect the lion, but we also stay alert. In life, respect everyone, but keep your eyes open. Learn who is a true friend and stay safe. Being kind is a gift, but being wise is your shield.

Value Your Resources: Everything we have, nature, water, and even money, is a resource. Respecting them means learning how they work today so you can be free and independent tomorrow.

The Wild Truth: Life doesn't just reward certificates; it rewards character, courage, and discipline. Be a complete human, not just a graduate!

DICTIONARY



Coexistence: Living in harmony with our wild neighbors. It means sharing the land with respect.

Habitat: The "home" of an animal. Protecting their home helps protect ours.

Awareness: Being awake and alert. Knowing what is happening in nature around us.

Boundaries: The invisible lines that keep us and the animals safe. Respecting space is a sign of wisdom.

Privilege: A special honor. It is a privilege to be a "Wild Kid" and live where nature still knocks on the door.

THE ARENA



THE HOUSE BATTLE

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HAPPY BIRTHDAYS!!

Learners

- Charlile !Khaxab
- Willem Oly
- Yolena Johannes
- Letticia Kabanze
- Kayden Nyambe
- Joshua Mabuku
- Andy Uel Simata
- Chuma Musialike
- Maka Mpofu
- Faith Mulele
- Mia Nangolo
- Ethan Kauyu
- Shiwa O.Thonas
- Lifalaza James
- Lionel Lisule
- Agenda Imwaka
- Logan Sinyepe
- Emmanuel Liseli
- Prince Muyoba
- Ruti Pelepele
- Ambrosius Amwaalwa

Teachers

Ms Karen Sazita.

PILLARS OF EXCELLENCE

From next month we will select a learner for each of the following pillars:

Academic Growth
This award focuses on progress rather than just top marks.

Unwavering Integrity
This honors honesty, trustworthiness, and ethical behavior.

Creative Innovation
This recognizes original thinking, curiosity, and problem-solving.

Compassionate Citizenship
This focuses on kindness, empathy, and social responsibility.

Resilient Spirit
This rewards the ability to bounce back from failure or difficulty.

Collaborative Leadership
This identifies students who lift others up.

ADVERTISING SPACE – contact us!

Wild Kids Tuckshop



		PRICE
Monday	Toasted Sandwich	N$ 25
Tuesday	Hotdogs	N$ 25
Wednesday	Pap & Relish	N$ 25
Thursday	Hamburger	N$ 25
Friday	Pasta	N$25
	Drink	
	Juice 300 ml	N$15
	Coke/ Fanta/ Sprite	N$15

