



Turi News

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St Andrew's College – Opening September 2010

We have been delighted to welcome large numbers of new pupils to both the Prep and Senior School this term and interest in the School is at unprecedented levels - many Year groups are now full. It has been a busy few weeks - Year 11 students have completed their trial examinations and Year 8 pupils are focusing on their mock Common Entrance exams. We hope you enjoy the information about recent school events and developments.

Staff Profile: John and Helen Pibworth

In August, the Pibworth family arrived in Turi. John is Head of History in the Prep School, as well as Head of the mighty Elgon House. Helen is PA to the Senior School Headmaster as well as dormparent to the Junior Girls in the Prep School.

John began his working life as a bank clerk in London. After 10 years of service to everything financial he left to commence his teaching career, working in Warwickshire in three



different schools. After eight years teaching in the UK he is now enjoying working in Kenya. Helen has worked in a number of administrative and educational supportive roles, working with adults and children in different guises.

John and Helen have two children, Kiera who is seven and Benjamin who is five.

Both are feeling increasingly at home at Turi and are looking forward to working with the children under their care, to care for and nurture them as Christ would wish.

Opening of Art and Design Technology Centre

On Viso Saturday in January the School was delighted to welcome ex-Board Member, Mrs Vanda Harries, back to Turi to open the new Art and Design Technology Centre. The new centre is located in what was the old Junior Girls



Dormitory block and will soon be added to with the completion of the Food Technology Centre alongside. The previous location of the art room is currently being converted into a new 'Performing Arts Centre' to be used for dance, drama and orchestral rehearsals.

Looking Ahead....

St. Andrew's School looks forward to the following up-coming events and trips:

- Mr Palmer and Mr Moss will be in Kampala on February 12th and 13th hosting an event at the Serena Hotel for parents interested in finding out more about St Andrew's.
- Year 10 students will be spending time on placements for Work Experience in the week beginning February 15th
- The Ski Trip to Switzerland departs on Saturday 20th February
- The Senior School Parent and Child Golf Championship takes place on March 6th, at Great Rift Valley Lodge near Naivasha.

Old Turians Dinner

The most recent 'Old Turian' Reunion event, held at Zen Gardens in Nairobi on January 9th, was a great success. Despite the torrential rain during the evening, guests arrived with Turi links from different eras and with very different memories of St. Andrew's.

They enjoyed a complimentary cocktail on arrival (whilst listening to the live band) as well as a sumptuous Thai dinner. Guests were delighted to recognise themselves in the slide show of 'Photos throughout the Turi ages' that was displayed during the dinner.

Mr Moss and Mr Palmer gave a short presentation on the development of the School and Mr Okello Alier masterminded an auction for the rights and engraving of the foundation stone of the planned new sports centre. The winning bid was that of Mr Tomas Omamo (1970's Old Turian and current parent).



Hog Charge

St. Andrew's pupils enjoyed success at the recent Hog Charge held at Sukari Ranch in January. This is an event in which pupils ride their mountain bikes around an often muddy and torturous course, in aid of the Rhino Ark charity. All five Turi teams of bicycle chargers performed well with particular success going to the U13 girls team



from the Prep School who finished 2nd overall in their age category. The School also sponsored a checkpoint again for both riders and cyclists providing very welcome cooling flannels and delicious refreshments.

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