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ETHAM SCHOOL VIRTUE AND EXCELLENCE

Newsletter

INTRODUCTION

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we come to the end of Term One of the 2025/2026 academic year, we extend our sincere gratitude to all parents, learners, and staff for a successful and productive term. The learners have shown great progress academically, socially, and behaviorally. Thank you for your continued support, cooperation, and trust in Etham School. Learners are expected back on **6th January, 2026**



ACADEMIC UPDATES

◆ ACE Programme

- Learners are progressing well in their PACEs, with most completing their monthly goals.
- Checkups, self-tests, and final tests have been done smoothly, with improved mastery in core subjects.
- Daily goal setting and character development remain key focus areas.

◆ IGCSE Programme

- Lower Secondary students (Year 7-9) have made good progress in Mathematics, English, Sciences, and Humanities.
- Upper Secondary (Year 10–11) are in active exam preparation, working on past papers and revision tasks.
- Practical work in the sciences has been successfully conducted in line with Pearson Edexcel standards.

◆ Support & Enrichment

- Remedial sessions in key subjects continue for learners needing extra help.
- Teachers attended training sessions to enhance lesson delivery and assessment.



Co-curricular Activities

This term, students have actively participated in a wide range of co-curricular activities that support their holistic development. From the strategic challenges of chess to the teamwork built in **football, volleyball, and basketball**, learners have demonstrated enthusiasm and steady improvement. **Swimming, skating, and lawn tennis** have enhanced their physical fitness and coordination, while **taekwondo** has reinforced discipline and focus. Creative talents continue to shine through **Fine Arts, DIY projects, and Photography**, and our **Coding and Robotics** sessions have nurtured problem-solving and innovation. These engagements have enriched the learners' skills, confidence, and overall school experience.



Discipline

Maintaining discipline and a positive school culture requires the cooperation of both students and parents.

All learners are expected to wear the appropriate school uniform, including proper shoes and hairstyle, as outlined in the school uniform guidelines.

The school enforces a **zero-tolerance policy on drugs and prohibited substances**, with strict consequences for any violations. We encourage parents to actively support enhanced discipline by guiding their children, reinforcing school rules at home, and partnering with the school to ensure a safe and productive learning environment.



Benefits of Student Discipline



Trips

Reception – Grade 2

Destination: Kitale Museum & Ndura Park
Date: 26th January, 2025

Learners will enjoy a one-day educational tour exploring cultural heritage, wildlife exhibits, and nature trails. The visit enhances early learning in social studies, science, and environmental awareness.

Total Cost: Ksh 2,500

Grade 3 – 6

Destination: Lake Bogoria & Lake Baringo
Date: 7th–8th February 2026

This 1-night trip includes exploration of key geographical and environmental sites, including hot springs, bird species, and lake ecosystems.

Learners will sleep at **St. Mary's Pastoral Centre, Nakuru**

Total Cost: Ksh 11,000

Year 7 – 9

Destination: Lake Bogoria & Lake Baringo
Date: 12th–13th February 2026

Year 7–9 learners will follow the same 1-night itinerary, with advanced focus on Geography, ecology, and environmental management. Learners will sleep at St. Mary's Pastoral Centre, Nakuru.

Total Cost: Ksh 11,000

Year 10 – 13

Destination: Lewa Conservancy Nanyuki
Date: 15th–17th February 2026

A 2-night residential trip focused on wildlife conservation, biodiversity research, and sustainable ecosystems. Learners will participate in guided drives, field discussions, and conservation-based activities.

Total Cost: Ksh 15,000

School Fees

We extend our sincere gratitude to all parents and guardians for your timely payment of school fees. Your continued support plays a crucial role in enabling the smooth running of our academic and extracurricular programs.

As a gentle reminder, **we kindly ask that all school fees for the upcoming term be settled prior to the start of the new term** to ensure uninterrupted learning for our students.

Kindly take note that there will be a slight adjustment to the school fees effective May 2026.

This revision is necessary to cushion the school against rising inflation and increased operational costs, ensuring that we continue to provide high-quality learning experiences and services for all our students. We remain committed to transparency and excellence, and we appreciate your understanding and continued support.

Community service

As part of our long-standing school tradition, we are pleased to once again join the global community in marking International Childhood Cancer Day on 14th February 2026. This initiative forms an important part of our community service programme, where we come together to create awareness and extend support to children and families affected by childhood cancer.

We kindly encourage all parents to support this noble cause and allow the learners to participate fully. Activities such as fundraising and awareness campaigns help our learners develop empathy, responsibility, and a deeper understanding of giving back to the community.

Learners are requested to collect fundraising proformas from the office and raise funds for this cause during the holiday and early next term. All contributions will be submitted to the Children's Cancer Walk organizers during the event.

Those who show outstanding commitment will be recognized and awarded during our Sports Day next term.





Calendar of Events

Term 2- 2025/2026

MONTH	DATE	EVENT	TIME
January	6/01/2026	School Opening	7:30am
	8/01/2026	Start of IAS/IAL International Examinations	8:00am
	26/01/2026	Field Trip -Ndura Farm & Kitale museum Reception to Grade 2	8:00am
February	6/02/2026-7/02/2026	Field Trip- L.Baringo & L. Bogoria Grade 3-6	7:00am
	6/02/2026-10/02/2026	Mid-Term Exams	8:00am
	12/02/2026-13/02/2026	Field Trip- L.Baringo & L. Bogoria Year 7-9	7:00am
	15/02/2026-17/02/2026	Field Trip- Lewa Conservancy Year 10-13	2:00pm
	16/02/2026-20/02/2026	Mid-Term Break	8:00am
	23/02/2026	Learners resume back from Mid-term/ Year 7-13 academic clinic	7:30am
	02/02/2026	Kindergarten and Junior School academic clinic	8:00am
March	24/03/2026-27/03/2026	End Term Exams	8:00am
April	2/04/2026	Sports/Closing day	8:00am to 4:00pm



Principal's Note

Dear Parents and Learners,
As this term comes to a close, I commend our learners for their hard work, creativity, and growth in academics and co-curricular activities. I thank our teachers for their dedication and parents for their continued support.

May this holiday provide rest and renewal as we prepare for another term of learning, discipline, and excellence.

Warm regards,



Peter Waiganjo
Senior Principal