



MLANGO FARM FOUNDATION

ANNUAL REPORT 2022

Mlango Farm Foundation is a non-governmental organization based in Ngecha, Kenya. The main objective of this organization is to give city children the opportunity to visit a farm, have a practical experience of what they learn in school and to generally appreciate nature.

Below are a number of activities carried out during the year 2022.

School visits and activities

In 2022 schools we saw a big increase in visiting schools. There seems to be a good demand for schools visiting an educational farm. We received again a higher number of schools compared to 2021 with a total of 3,046 students and 430 adults. This is an increase of 263 % more visitors compared to the previous year 2021.

School	Date	Number of students	Number of adults
ISK group	09-Feb-2022	14	2
Little Harvard	11-Feb-2022	24	2
Riara Spring Academy	15-Feb-2022	85	7
Riara Spring Academy	16-Feb-2022	65	6
Special needs Program	21-Feb-2022	9	4
Braeburn School	22-Feb-2022	66	8
Kigwa Ridge School	23-Feb-2022	26	4
Mizizi Micro School	24-Feb-2022	23	5
Makena School	25-Feb-2022	28	2
Rosslyn Academy	01-Mar-2022	11	2
Nairobi Waldorf School	11-Mar-2022	17	2
Hopes and Dreams Montessori	16-Mar-2022	31	5
Braeburn International School	17-Mar-2022	72	8
Crawford International School Ruiru	18-Mar-2022	33	2
Fun school daycare and kindergarten	25-Mar-2022	27	4
Boma International Hospitality College	25-Mar-2022	40	2
Woodland Star International School	30-Mar-2022	23	5
International School of Kenya	31-Mar-2022	16	3
International School of Kenya	01-April-2022	15	3
International School of Kenya	04-April-2022	42	7

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International School of Kenya	07-April-2022	18	2
International School of Kenya	08-April-2022	17	3
International School of Kenya	11-April-2022	43	7
International School of Kenya	21-April-2022	40	6
International School of Kenya	22-April-2022	40	6
International School of Kenya	25-April-2022	44	7
Cavina School	13-May-2022	25	4
Cavina School	20-May-2022	25	3
Kenton College	25-May-2022	46	6
Rusinga School	26-May-2022	46	7
Cavina School	27-May-2022	25	3
Braeside School	27-May-2022	25	5
Nairobi Waldorf School Lavington	31-May-2022	48	28
French School Nairobi	02-June-2022	43	8
School of the Nations	06-June-2022	19	4
Tuwatunze Learning Centre	07-June-2022	11	4
Premier Academy	08-June-2022	52	6
French School Nairobi	09-June-2022	45	6
French School Nairobi	14-June-2022	26	3
Serare School	14-June-2022	31	3
Little Harvard Kindergarten	15-June-2022	25	4
French School Nairobi	16-June-2022	26	3
German School Kindergarten	20-June-2022	18	2
French High School	20-June-2022	14	2
Braeburn Garden Estate	21-June-2022	33	4
Kabete Junior Academy	22-June-2022	15	4
French School Nairobi	23-June-2022	27	3
German School Kindergarten	24-June-2022	28	5
Early learning Academy	27-June-2022	20	5
German School Kindergarten	28-June-2022	26	6
Compuera School	29-June-2022	15	5
Nairobi International School	30-June-2022	23	5
Oasis School of Africa	30-June-2022	58	5
Japanese School	8-July-2022	19	4
Laleo Homeschool	12-July-2022		
Kipise High School	28-July-2022	17	4
Riara School Kindregarten	23-Aug-2022	70	12
Brookhaven Academy	24-Aug-2022	80	5
Riara School Kindregarten	29- Aug-2022	57	6
Riara School Kindregarten	30-August-2022	55	6
Riara Springs Academy	01-Sept-2022	77	9
Riara Springs Academy	02-Sept-2022	60	10

Langata Junior School	02-Sept-2022	22	2
Amana Kindergarten	7-Sept-2022	20	4
Smiles kindergarten	8-Sept-2022	40	5
Langata Junior School	8-Sept-2022	21	2
Alphabet Hill School	9-Sept-2022	23	3
Langata Junior School	12-Sept-2022	41	2
Midas Junior School	16-Sept-2022	59	7
Crawford International school	30-Sept-2022	48	4
Little Scholars Academy	13-Oct-2022	13	1
Aga Khan Nursery	24-Oct-2022	15	4
Olerai School	25-Oct-2022	79	3
Olerai School	27-Oct-2022	54	3
Bees Circles School	28-Oct-2022	33	4
Vandana – Home School	28-Oct-2022	5	6
Taaleem Ul Islaam	3-Nov-2022	16	3
Kinderworld Academy	4-Nov-2022	89	6
Hill Crest Academy	8_Nov-2022	22	5
Fun school daycare and kindergarten	11-Nov-2022	25	3
Millenium school	18-Nov-2022	40	9
Teacher Moni	18-Nov-2022	20	2
Brook House	23-Nov-2022	23	3
Light International School	24-Nov-2022	30	4
Braeside School	25-Nov-2022	65	8
School of the Nations	30-Nov-2022	17	3
Princeton Preparatory	02-Dec-2022	13	7
Light International School	02-Dec-2022	4	1
Terra Moyo	06-Dec-2022	33	3
Terra Moyo	07-Dec-2022	36	3
TOTAL		3,046	430

The schools mostly asked for a morning programme with general information about farming, environmental care, appreciation of nature, knowledge of different vegetables and animal care. With school groups who stayed for a whole day programme we often carried out the ‘farm to fork’ programme. With this programme the students prepare their own lunch with fresh farmproduce. About 40 – 50% of the students visiting Mlango Farm have never been to a farm before. Usually the main purpose of the visit is to experience farm life, get an understanding of healthy food and where our food comes from and the importance of caring for the environment.

This year we introduced ecobrick workshops, whereby children learn more about plastic pollution, and a hands-on solution on all the plastic waste we generate in our homes and schools. See www.ecobricks.org. One day we plan to build a cottage with these ecobricks!



We make and collect ECOBRICKS

- Ecobricks Kenya: a plastic pollution solution
- Workshops for schools and youth groups
- We collect ecobricks
- Ecobricks will be used in our cob buildings



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Training of our guides

Apart from educating the visiting schools, the guides who work with the Mlango Farm Foundation also need to be trained for their role. With proper knowledge and skills, they will be better equipped to welcome and guide the schools who are coming to learn at the farm.

In 2022 we professionalized on this training of our hosts, together with an expert from PUM Netherlands. All guides at the Mlango Farm Foundation will from now on first follow a training and after passing an exam they will receive a certificate 'hosting visitors at Mlango Farm'.



Marketing

In 2022 we had the following marketing activities:

- We shared flyers with potential visiting schools;
- We shared information on the Facebook page of Mlango Farm;
- We shared posts on Facebook of schools who posted about their educational visit;
- All school children who visited the farm received a small present with our website and logo.

Meetings

In 2022 the Mlango Farm Foundation held three board meetings and the Annual General Meeting. Minutes are available upon request.

Balance as at 1 Jan 2022	103,301.30
Income	
Donations	8,500.00
Mlango Farm contributions to expenses	100,000.00
Visitors	<u>730,400.00</u>
Total Income	838,900.00
expenses	
Animals	441,505.00
Consumables / Supermarket	28,608.00
Office costs	990.00
Staff training	8,700.00
Volunteer compensations	<u>238,100.00</u>
Total expenses	717,903.00
Balance as at 31 Dec 2022	224,298.30

In 2022 Mlango Farm received funding from the Stichting Deurman, this was used for restructuring the educational area. Due to a leaking roof this was high on the agenda. The Mlango Farm offers the educational area to be used by the Mlango Farm Foundation.



We proudly lighted the first flame of our bio-digester with Sistema Bio Kenya. This bio-digester was donated to us by Sistema Bio, of which we are most grateful! The digester transforms animal waste into cooking gas and natural fertilizer for the farm. We use the biogas system to explain about 'creating value from waste' and also during 'farm to fork' cooking classes at the farm.



Planned activities for the upcoming year and the future

Our facilities have grown, the toilet blocks are now in use which gives more privacy to the private home of our hosts, the managers of Mlango Farm. We are proud of our new and improved education area. We are now ready to welcome more groups to visit Mlango Farm.

In the coming year we will hopefully finalize on a new kitchen outside, which is well underway. This community space includes two guest rooms for volunteers or 'workawayers' on the first floor. We will look for kitchen and guestroom furniture. We will also look for funding to speed up the process of growing our facilities.

In 2023 we will also collaborate with a university in the Netherlands on expanding our educational programs and we look forward to more interesting partnerships like these.

We also hope to be more successful with our fundraising activities, to be less dependent on the financial support of Mlango Farm, which may not always be guaranteed in future. The Mlango Farm Foundation should be able to stand on its own feet. For this noble endeavor we hope to establish a foundation in the Netherlands, which will help us raise funds

Acknowledgment and thanks

We wish to thank the visiting schools for their support.

Stichting Deurman ; thank you for providing the financial means to set up an educational area at Mlango Farm (see picture above).

Sistema Bio; thank you for donating a biodigester, which helps us in telling the story of 'creating value from waste'.

We thank the volunteers for choosing to work with the Mlango Farm Foundation. David and Linda created a beautiful story about Mlango Farm, called 'Land of Nourishment'.

<https://vimeo.com/664410671>. This video helps the Mlango Farm Foundation as well. Thank you both!

We thank the management of Mlango Farm (Kamande and Els) for their continuous support, both financially and in-kind by offering all their facilities to us, both on the farm and from their private home.



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