

# IN THE LOOP

MIKISA'S OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE STUDENT COUNCIL

## FROM THE COUNCIL'S DESK

What a week to kick off the term. This week, at the chapel session on Thursday, the Student Council was officially sworn in, and with that comes a renewed commitment to serving this school with the same dedication and energy you have come to expect from us.

We are also proud to announce that you are reading history right now. This is the very first edition of *In the Loop* — Mikisa's official newsletter. This has been a vision we have been working hard to bring to life, and seeing it come together is a moment we are extremely proud of. Expect a new issue every week, and as always, this space belongs to all of us.

On the horizon, we are exploring the introduction of a brand new sport to the school. We are not ready to reveal too much just yet, but a demo is in the works, and we think you will enjoy it.

#getreadygetreadygetready

And finally, something is coming that will change the way you experience school life here at Mikisa. Let's just say this: get ready to represent... More details soon.

To the entire school, welcome to a new term. We wish you focus, resilience, and good energy in the weeks ahead. May God go ahead of you in all that you have planned. We are excited for what is coming, and we hope you are too.

Sincerely,  
The Student Council

## ON THE FIELDS

Champions are not made on match day. They are made in the weeks before it — and those weeks start now.

PE got underway across all classes with students easing back into the rhythm of physical activity. Some classes particularly enjoyed indoor Zumba sessions, bringing energy and a few laughs to kick off the term. But the real excitement is just around the corner. Tournaments are fast approaching, and something new is coming to Mikisa's sporting scene — a brand new sport will be making its debut soon, and trust us, you will want to be part of it. More details coming in the next issue.

To every student athlete reading this, the time to get serious is now.

Training is about to get intense, and we are calling on you to show up, push hard, and bring home medals for Mikisa. The competition is coming. Make sure you are ready for it.

# BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

## CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

By: Mfalme Huba

The final term of the 2025/2026 calendar has just begun — and with high school graduations on the horizon alongside Year 11 final exams, it is safe to say the atmosphere around the compound is a little tense.

Fortunately, clubs and sports on Friday are giving students a much needed breather. And for those who need a little more, the Student Council has partnered with the Drama Club to prepare a play for an upcoming event. Preparations are going well, with actors and actresses diving deeper into their cultures to deliver a wonderful experience for the audience. The project is headed by our Vice President, Zuri Kiwinda, and Drama Club head, Daniel Ayiro — so expect great things. Other clubs have also kicked off smoothly, with students signing up to their desired clubs once again.

## WHAT IN THE WORLD!

By: Wavua Mwangola

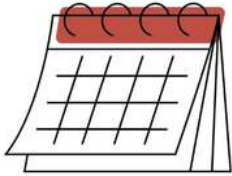


### United States and Israel's war with Iran

On February 28th, 2026, the United States and Israel launched major airstrikes on Iran after weeks of rising tension. President Trump said the strikes were intended to eliminate “close threats” from Iran and prevent the country from getting a nuclear weapon.

The attack has escalated into a regional war in the middle east. Iran's closure of the Strait of Hormuz has caused a global energy shock. Iran, Israel and the United States agreed to a two week cease fire on April 7th but negotiations towards a broader settlement have stalled.

The humanitarian impact has been severe with over 4,490 deaths, 33,400 wounded and 4.2 million people displaced. In Iran alone, over 70,000 homes have been damaged and 300 health facilities have been destroyed. The destruction of over 600 schools, mostly empty at the time, has displaced the education of an estimated 2 million children. 3.2 million Iranians have been displaced in 28 days primarily from Tehran, Isfahan and coastal cities near military targets. Most have fled to eastern provinces or rural areas far from strike zones. Iran's neighbors, Iraq and Turkey, have recieved 200,000 refugees.



**DATES TO REMEMBER**

April 30<sup>th</sup> - School Prayer Day  
 May 1<sup>st</sup> - Labor Day

**CLASSROOM CHRONICLES**

With IGCSE exams fast approaching, Year 11 scrambles to finish revising.

Tension rises in Mt. Kilimanjaro as finishing coursework becomes an increasingly pressing priority.

The current Year 8 students are eagerly anticipating Year 9, where they will finally have the freedom to choose their own subjects.

Middle school and elementary teachers report that they are settling into the new term well, with classes running smoothly.



**Zuri's Minions say hello**

KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED FOR MORE IN UPCOMING ISSUES

(get it peeled, banana... ok i'll shut up now)



**DID YOU KNOW?/THE WEEKLY GIGGLE**

Because bananas contain potassium, they are radioactive.



- 1 What do you call an Italian in flip flops?
- 2 What happened when 2 slices of bread went on a date?



SEE COLUMN "CAKES & CANDLES" FOR THE ANSWER

## LAST WEEK AT A GLANCE

Last week was a full one — and a historic one at that.

For the very first time in Mikisa's history, you are reading an official school newsletter. *In the Loop* is here, brought to you by the Student Council, and this is only the beginning.

Thursday's chapel was a memorable one. The sermon drew from Daniel chapter 3, verses 17 to 18 — a reminder to always have a plan, rejoice always, and give thanks. The highlight was the Student Council swearing-in ceremony, where council members took their oaths one by one before standing together to be prayed over. Our President, Erica Wanjiru delivered a speech that left the school energised, and Principal Evelyne Agingu closed with a powerful address on what it truly means to lead.

On the academic side, Year 11 and Mt. Kilimanjaro are feeling the heat with IGCSE exams approaching and coursework deadlines closing in. Year 8 students are looking ahead with excitement as they prepare to choose their own subjects heading into Year 9. Across middle school and elementary, teachers report that the term has gotten off to a smooth start.

Clubs kicked off well with students signing up across the board, and the Student Council confirmed an exciting partnership with the Drama Club — headed by Vice President Zuri Kiwinda and Drama Club head Daniel Ayiro. More details coming soon.

Finally, mark your calendars — School Prayer Day is April 30th and Labour Day is May 1st.

A strong first week. The term is officially underway

### Through a student's eyes... (a student's point of view)

"My week was good. Some of the things that made my week good were talking to friends, having PSHE, and getting new paces. My lowlight of the week had to do with something social media-related. The school food was very good, and I especially enjoyed Friday's chips."

-Kelly Muindi, Mt. Kilimanjaro

**"THE FUTURE BELONGS TO THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN THE BEAUTY OF THEIR DREAMS."**

**– ELEANOR ROOSEVELT**

### LAST WEEK IN CHAPEL

Last week's chapel was a really memorable event for everyone. The sermon, though brief, really delivered a powerful message to all of us as students that we should always have a plan, rejoice always, and always remember to give thanks. We read from the book of Daniel chapter 3, verses 17-18. The highlight of the chapel was the swearing-in ceremony. The student council walked down the hall one by one to say their oaths. After taking their oaths and being officiated by the lawyer individually, they stood together, creating a strong sense of unity and purpose, to be prayed for by the pastor. Our wonderful president then proceeded to give a heartwarming speech that motivated all of us as a school and made us look forward to all the exciting plans the student council, together with the school administration, has for us. After the president's speech, our lovely principal gave her speech as well. Her speech reminded the student council what it means to truly be a leader. Finally, when the service was finishing, our vice president gave the vote of thanks, and we then prayed, and the chapel came to an end.

## CAKES & CANDLES

FIND UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS DISPLAYED HERE!

**AND MAKE SURE TO WISH YOUR FELLOW MIKISANS A HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

① PHILIPPE PHILLOPE  
② IT WAS LOAF AT FIRST SIGHT



\*FROM LEFT TO RIGHT\*  
 PENZI - GIRLS SPORTS  
 CAPTAIN  
 SHIRO - PRESIDENT  
 ZURI - VICE PRESIDENT  
 NICOLE- GIRLS HEALTH  
 SANITARIAN  
 NORA - PRE-SCHOOL  
 REPRESENTATIVE  
 GABRIELLA - ELEMENTARY  
 REPRESENTATIVE  
 ELLA - MIDDLE SCHOOL  
 REPRESENTATIVE  
 GLORIA - SPIRITUAL  
 LEADER  
 ELIAH - BOYS HEALTH  
 SANITARIAN



\*FROM LEFT TO  
 RIGHT\*  
 MR. HENRY - VICE  
 PRINCIPAL  
 MS. EVELYNE -  
 PRINCIPAL



WITH ADVOCATE