KENYA INSTITUTE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

THE WEEK THAT WAS....

5th Edition

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL GRADUATES OF THE 28th GRADUATION CEREMONY



From left: Dr. Elyas Abdi (OGW), the Director General MoE, state department of early learning and basic education, The Director KISE, Dr. Norman Kiogora and Madam Lucy Muthoni, Head of Corporate Communication and Public Relations (CCPR).

The Kenya Institute of Special Education (KISE) held its 28th Graduation Ceremony on Friday 24th March 2023. The colourful event was marked by enthusiastic students adorned with traditional shiny synthetic flowers, balloons and rainbow ribbons. The ceremony was a mix of virtual and onsite event. A total of 705 graduands were conferred with diplomas and certificates, 212 being Diploma in Special Needs Education and 493 being certificates in various course. 561 were females while 144 were males.

'This is a great milestone for our graduates, staff and the institute council having graduated 34,937 with knowledge, skills, competences, attitudes and values that are necessary to provide specialized services to persons with disabilities,' the Director, Dr. Norman Kiogora expressed.

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Graduands of 28th Graduation Ceremony at Kenya Institute of Special Education Dias



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Honoring the Chief Guest, Dr. Elyas Abdi (OGW)



KNUT representative, Mercy Muthoni Ndungu.

Dr. Elyas Abdi (OGW), the Director General, Ministry of Education, state department of Early Learning and Basic Education was the chief guest representing the Cabinet Secretary of Education, Hon. Ezekiel Machogu, (CBS). He said that the special need section had been upgraded to a full directorate at the Ministry of Education to ensure adequate capacity and provision for the sub-sector. He also emphasized that the ministry needs to do more on matters of funding especially in provision of learning and teaching materials for children with special needs, noting the cost production of a single text book converted to braille is equivalent to seven to eight volumes of the standard text book of the same subject.

Guest in attendance were: Ministry of Education, Teachers Service Commission (TSC), Kenya National Union of Teachers (KNUT), Nation Council for Persons with Disabilities (NCPWD), Special Olympics Kenya (SOK), National Police Service, Council Members KISE, Multichoice Kenya and many others.





GRADUATION REHEARSALS AND PRE-GRADUATION DINNER.

The The 28th Graduation Ceremony dinner graced by graduands, lecturers and Senior Management at the restaurant. Ceremony dinner graced by graduands, lecturers and Senior Management at the restaurant.





FOREIGN DELEGATES VISIT THE KENYA INSTITUTE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION.



Dr. Hawa Omari, H.O.D Partnership and Linkages and the Norwegian Ambassador to Kenya, Mr.Gunner Andreas Holm.

On 23rd March, 2023, the Norwegian and Swedish delegates visited the institution for the purpose of accessing the progress of the work that UNICEF has supported through their funding programs, Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD) and Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) respectively. KISE being a beneficiary of the program hosted the event.

Other organizations in attendance were Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, UNICEF Kenya country office, Child Protection, the National Council of Persons with Disabilities (NCWPD), National Council of Children Services and Brook Centre for the Deaf & Autistic Children.











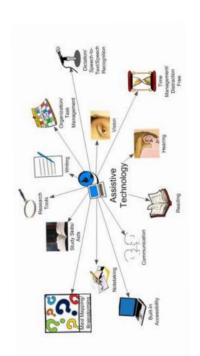
ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY FOR LEARNERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

for interpretation.

has become easier and information access. more accessible to the community on how to live and assist people living with disabilities.

Assistive technology is an umbrella However, some challenges have been for specialized devices and services encountered in the provision of these designed to enable independence products and services, quality and for persons with disabilities. These resources to manufacture mass could be devices such as braille production has been the greatest. The machine, walking aids and canes, informal sector has contributed wheelchairs, crutches, hearing aids immensely to these challenges due to and many others while an assistive lack and access training and also service is the use of sign language education preference in the informal settlements

Through the help of special KISE as an inclusive institution is a institutions like Kenya Institute user friendly environment due to its of Special Education, and NGOs, physical modifications including ramps, disability mainstreaming grab bars, and wider doorways to enable



What's cooking...

Examinations for the Diploma in Special Needs Education, took place on Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd, March 2023, for 1st and 2nd year students on the full time program. More than 100 students sat for the examinations. We wish them the best as they await their results.











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