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thank you note
This has been an epic year for EC/P1. Apart from all the learning that has been happening in class, the children have managed to put on two amazing primary gathering shows for the primary audience and parents. They created and performed their own version of the three little pigs which had little wolves and dinosaurs who did not want to eat the little pigs but just to get them out of the house to play. This performance was interwoven with songs and dances that they had enjoyed throughout semester one. In semester two, they chose to act out ‘Farmer Duck’ which they had read during their living and non-living unit. They have shown that they can be fearless communicators who can engage with audiences and be risk-takers.

Ms Mboka
P2/3 is the place to be! Our school year has been filled with so much learning, growth and fun. The units were terrific - Friendship, Biomes, Imagination, Light and Sound, Jobs, and Tanzania. The read-aloud books were memorable - Nim's Island, My Father's Dragon, and Wild Robot. This class loves school and brought enthusiasm and energy to all that we did.

Ms Kacey
The P4/5 class has had a happy and productive year. In Quarter 1 we held a science fair and showed the rest of the PYP children our simple machines. There were catapults, marble runs, bubble blowing machines and vehicles to name just a few! The wonderful school production, "Beauty and the Beast" fitted in perfectly with our unit on using our voice. Some of us were wolves, some of us were villagers and some of us were teacups - it was so much fun! We have dissected hearts as part of our unit on the body and were lucky enough to have some KCMC doctors visit us to help us explore how different body systems work. We presented aspects of our different cultures to the class as part of our work on migration, and also visited a coffee farm for an overnight camp to learn how people often migrate because of their jobs. It has been a great year and we are already looking forward to what we will learn next year!

Ms Deborah
What a lovely P6 this year! They have eloquence, dynamism and most of all kindness. They work hard but have a good sense of fun too. Their PYPX in particular was excellent. I'm sure they will continue to develop and add value to UWCEA at every step. Moshi 2030 keep on looking after each other: onward and upward!

Mr Hywel
The MYP students have had a truly inspiring year, with many notable achievements and personal growth. These students have shown an incredible amount of determination, discipline, and passion, as they worked hard to achieve their goals and overcome various challenges along the way. Throughout the year, the MYP students faced a variety of obstacles and difficulties, both academic and personal. They struggled with demanding coursework, tricky exams, and the constant pressure to succeed. However, through sheer grit and resilience, they were able to overcome these challenges, often with the support and encouragement of their teachers and peers. In addition to academic accomplishments, the MYP students also grew significantly in terms of their personal skills and character. They learned to be more self-aware, more empathetic, and more collaborative, as they worked closely with others on group projects and community service initiatives. They also gained a deeper sense of purpose and direction, as they explored their passions and interests and set goals for their future. We are very proud of them and very excited to see them grow more and more.

This academic year has been tough for everyone, but the MYP kids at UWC East Africa have shown resilience and determination throughout it all. They’ve been working hard in their classes, engaging in CAS activities, and pushing themselves to grow in every way possible.
Despite the challenges that have arisen from learning, these MYP students have adapted to the changes and continued to strive for excellence in their studies. From their personal projects to group work, they've collaborated with their peers and discovered new ways of thinking and problem-solving. Through it all, the MYP kids at UWC East Africa have shown dedication, resilience, and grit. They've tackled every obstacle head-on and never let setbacks hold them back. They're a force to be reckoned with and a shining example of what the future holds.

As the academic year comes to a close, it's important to recognize the hard work and achievements of these MYP students. They're the heart and soul of UWC East Africa, and they're destined for greatness.

Gabriella Pendejo Tubarão
ft. Kendrick Lamar
(supervisor of PPAP)
Charumathi Vasanthakumar
Ethan Matoli
Jonathan Mwasongwe

Nadia Julien
Josephine Kamm
Otis Morley
Rhea Chauhan
Solomon Olekambainei

Vicky van Zwetselaar
Akil Kigonya
Christian Joseph
Walter Kimario
Irene Nkilosubi
Arthur Kikomoko
Yuvraj Bhamra

Nathan
Olekambainel
Esupat Kilian
Lisa Manyama
Myra Ngiria
Alina Ali

Ammar Sajan
Jordan Bester
Kendwa Muya
Scarlett de Vries
Thomas Julien

Daniella Bulafu
Daniel Cofer
Aaron Bachman
Angel Ruharuza
Iman Jadavji

Amos Silanga
Abubaker
Namwanja
Patrick Sanga
Slima Kyra Manyanja
Amy Sherr

Chelsea Edwin
Ian Kileo
Pasquina Ontoya
Joel Rathke
Nailah Nyiti
There have been many meetings in Rafiki to discuss subjects, Extended Essays, CAS, IAs etc. I have a mountain of forms in my office from the subject changes but these are all accompanied by intelligent, reflective conversations about why these are happening.

Students have run clubs and attended clubs. All students have been involved in service on a Wednesday. Many have also organised their own service including mentoring MYP students. The list of sports students have been involved in includes Football, Rugby (Touch and Contact), Volleyball, Hockey, Tennis, Netball, Basketball. Many students have coached sports for their peers and younger students.

Students have been involved in 3 MUN conferences. One in Arusha, one in Nairobi and one here in Moshi. There have been many cultural nights where students talk about their home country and give other students a chance to broaden their perspectives. Often this is accompanied by samples of food.

The D1 students had project week where they had a chance to plan for themselves where they went and what they did. Some stayed in school and went to KCMC or local schools. Others travelled and found out about skateboarding in Arusha or discovered Dar. There have been OP trips of all four types - Rides, Reefs, Peaks and Plains. Over 20 students submitted Kilimanjaro. There was a student organised Climate Conference which led to two stu-
dents travelling to Dar to talk to UN representatives. Sports weekend was a major event on campus with students involved in all aspects. Of course many played but others were ambassadors helping the visiting schools, some coached their teams, others helped with the mammoth task of scheduling and recording results. Mentor time has been used for a wide variety of activities. There has been a chance to talk to their mentors about how school is going but also games and chances to relax. They have looked at sleep management and written letters of gratitude. Students from various groups have also planned assemblies about such diverse topics as black history month and international women’s day. Students have been involved in external competitions in Mathematics and Business. They have organised a chess tournament, Le Cabaret, a Fear Factor competition and Blood Drives. They have helped with the organisation of UWC Day and International Day.

This is a good time to thank a major support system for our DP students, the Uja families. These are families from the Moshi community who provide a home away from home for students. They have them over for a meal, or take them away. It is hard to express how grateful we are.

Margaret Brunt, DP Coordinator
Adam Kaderbhai
“We are done and dry.”
- Mr. Wambua

Aika Minja
“Being a black African woman makes me my own superhero.”

Amani N. Wachira
“I like what Ruge likes.”

Ananya Maddipatla
“Faith in the Future”

Anna M. Lazovska
“I don’t care where she is from. A cute girl is a cute girl.”
- Anne with an E

Aaron N. S. Moranga
“Melt yourself into a profitable dream in order to reduce failure and maximize success.”

Amina N. Wachira
“I like what Ruge likes.”

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Anna M. Lazovska
“I don’t care where she is from. A cute girl is a cute girl.”
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Anna Ryan
“huc and hope”

Antek N. Nowacki
People be like ‘The walls on this campus have ears’... Girl, I know. I AM the ears.

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Aqeef Muhidin
“Finally! Remember to do the bare minimum kids.”

Armaan Y. Virani
“Need some help with that Miss? (with Tech Support rizz)”

Arjun Aggarwal
“I was a wizard the whole time.”

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April K. Albertina
“Don’t follow your dreams, follow my Instagram @khethix”

Ayman Muhidin
“I cut my hair short and no one noticed ;)”

Benjamin Rathke
“I am sure you will all be successful in life, but remember that no one succeeds as much as a toothless parrot.”

Benson Joub
“Yesterday is what brought you to today, so live your best today and hope for a better tomorrow.”

Ataho Musiime
“I’m going to miss this school and everyone here so much! (I’m lying lol)”

Ayman Muhidin
“I cut my hair short and no one noticed ;)”

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Caleb R. Kambote
“8.28”
Elleanora M. da Silva
Remember to make great memories, but most of all, remember to make yourself memorable.

Gabriele Lombardo
“Everything can be fixed with tape, except schoolwork; for that, you need scotch.” Mr. Wa

Gloria K. Nakafu
“Pro tip: make sure whoever you choose to quote wasn’t anti-semitic BEFORE you submit the quote.”

Hugo Zwets
“I bet you didn’t expect to find me here”

Justina Gerald
“three thousand six hundred and fifty eyerolls later…”

Kamau Waiganjo
“I know it’s late and I took all year, but you can stop complainin’, ‘cause I’m finally here.” - Kanye West

Kasparas Liekis
“Laughing is a good medicine, BUT laughing with no reason, you need good medicine.” - Thoby Ma

Rebeka Kerék
“Love them and let them love you. Do you think anything else under Heaven really matters?”

Khaleel Al-Ashhab
يموت الأبطال دون أن يسمع بهم أحد

Lisa Storberg
“I keep it real because I am not afraid to make enemies”

Iván Cea Gomez
“I wish I had stayed up more nights to watch Colo Colo instead of doing the IB.”

Jesse Musinguzi
“We all get distracted, the question is, would you bounce back or bounce backwards?” - Kendrick Lamar

John Rugemalilla
“I like what Amani likes”

Jonatan Christiansson
“I’m not procrastinating, I’m doing side quests”

Joshua Ezekiel
“Here we are, a decade later, finally.” Kendrick Lamar

Juan C.S. Diaz
“I’m not procrastinating, I’m just taking care of my mental health <3”

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يموت الأبطال دون أن يسمع بهم أحد
Nina Blauw
"Just graduated, ready to blaauw the world away."

Omar Mansoor
"Sleeping is a societal expectation placed on us. Fight against it."

Noga Sherr
"Climbing Kili was easy compared to the IB. Did I mention that I climbed Kili?"

Paulina Stasiuk
"I'm not a teacher, more like a business pineapple - rough on the outside but sweet on the inside :)

Prutha Chauhan
"to what extent did this cause permanent damage"

Regina Acevedo
"Me relajo, me relajo porque tareas hay muchas y vida solo hay una Cartel de Santa, Min 1:20 "

Rodrigo Torres
"Oh, I graduated, oh yeah, I just graduated high school, ha ha"

Shamaila El-Busaidy
"long story short, I survived the IB."

Shamsher Tamang
"International Bæsj"

Yeldy Luchmun
"I would like to thank my cat for patiently waiting for me at home while I finish the IB."

Darlene Bulauf
"Dream, you will fully bloom after all the hardships. Agust D Ft. Suran ‘So Far Away’"

Dhriti Solani
"Finally! Remember to do the bare minimum kids."

Edith Inguilan
"magical for those who know how to transmit what they feel through the melodies of the soul"

Elisa E. Hernández
"I would be on time in Spain."

Eli L. Neal
"International Bæsj"
Mahmoud
Do you think giraffes are approachable?
Double thumbs up

Maria Chemadanova
"desert sand feels warm at night."

Martina Belanche Castillo
“Someone told me that I wouldn’t make it. Hold my coffee cup and watch me.”

Muwa Musoke
“It’s so funny how life unfolded, come too far to even lose focus.”

Shiv Chandrasekar
“T’m a senior, but I stay fresh man.”

Surrender Atukunda
“For real?”

Tendo Ndawula
“Class of 2023 has given birth to unwavering, confident and cooperative offspring—next...”

Thomas Karmarker
“Ask yourself: “How did I get here?” And think about it all. Pretty absurd, isn’t it?”

Viktorie Spumá
“Life is life, so try to enjoy it. You only have one life.” - Ivana Trump. Amen.

Wadana Kakakhel
“Oh my God, the sky (NOT this guy) looks so pretty”

Yulia Tkachuk
“I need a lifelong break from the IB.”

Zain AlMousselli
لماذا لم يأت الغضب الساطع حتى الآن؟

Neža Račečič
“Now, if you two don’t mind, I’m going to bed before either of you come up with another clever idea to get us killed or worse... expelled!” Hermione Granger

Zita Teta
“My humor is explosive...”

Mara T. I. Niño
All experiences bring challenges. Success is in overcoming those challenges and enjoying the process of getting to the top. There is no use reaching the top when you have no one to share that happiness with.

Luyanda Chibwe
“It’s only when a mosquito lands on your testicles, will you realize that violence is not always the answer.” - Moon Tzu, The Art of War
(a little bit of)

WHAT HAPPENED THIS YEAR?
When asking any DP student for their most memorable experiences in UWC, there’s a high chance many of them will talk about the orientation week. Filled with excitement for both the incoming D1s and the D2s that were part of the organization, the orientation week helped the D1s to settle down in the place they now call home. Contrasting the people that experienced a great sense of freedom with those that struggled with a feeling of confinement, orientation week showcased how diverse all of our backgrounds are. In addition, the cultural night was a great activity that further showcased the vast diversity of cultures that we have on campus.

I believe we could describe the orientation week as a time of the year when people love to ask about each other’s subjects, struggle trying to memorize countless new names and nationalities, and start the uncertain journey of finding new friends.

Juan, '23
The OP trips are unforgettable experiences, you don’t find such throughout your life easily. I personally did two levels of reefs and three levels of peaks. Reefs was so nice because you left from Moshi, and arrived at the coast 9 hours later, something special since we live inland. The highlights are snorkelling, water sports and communal cooking and eating. Tanga (where it takes place) is a beautiful place, nice and far away from the city and surrounded by nature, exactly what you want and expect on an OP trip! Peaks was special for me, as I don’t have any mountains in the Netherlands :) You jump into the lorry, drive for a long time and arrive at destination, after which you climb a mountain! The communal feeling you experience while climbing a mountain is unprecedented. Although physically it was definitely the toughest days of my life, it was definitely balanced with good company and the most beautiful views, I wouldn’t change a thing about the experience. The nature you find yourself in is worth everything you have to fight your way through. Camping is also sociable, pitching a tent together and getting eaten by mosquitoes, or wearing just a little too little clothing, everything is done together. It is a once in a lifetime (bonding) experience!

Aya, ’24
hockey

This is the first ever hockey club in the school, under the name UWC East Africa. Here we trained using a variety of cone drills and played matches against each other. Though we were a mixture of beginner and more experienced players, we were able to support each other and continuously improve. In the coming future, we hope to compete against other schools and play with the national champions, Moshi Khalsa.

Gurtej Bhamra, ’24
volleyball

Never trust a volleyball player with drinks. They might spike them...lol. I am so thankful that during my time here I got to participate in the Moshi Volleyball team, and play with some truly incredible people! Volleyball is an amazing sport which has taught me so much in regards to teamwork, technique and maintaining a level head. I really hope the club continues on for next years students, and I wish all the best for the future of volleyball at UW-CEA and its members!

Ari, ’23
Ultimate, Frisbee or dog game, call it what you want but this sport attracted more students this year than it ever has at this school and from a much larger age group (PYPs until D2s). Whilst this raised some difficulties, we managed to train well and those who turned up regularly have improved immensely! Our training was intense before sports weekend and it paid off. Unfortunately, we did not win sports weekend but we got the most number of trys overall… hard luck. After sports weekend, training became less intense and much more fun. We tried new variations of the sport, such as throwing with the non-dominant hand and some Ultimate Contact. During the rainy season, Ultimate became even more fun playing under the rain and on a full muddy field.

Thank you to everyone who joined us this year and special thanks to our teacher coaches Ms. Cathrine and Mr. Baden who introduced another level of Ultimate to our school!

Khaleel and Benjamin, '23
prisma

The club aimed to be a safe space for people to have open conversations on topics such as gender, relationships, communication and sexual education. Throughout the year, the club welcomed everyone that was willing to learn, have interesting conversations, and respect the others in the club.

Juan, '23
Our team, the Finance Wolves, ranked among the top 55 out of 1400 teams, in this year's Wharton Global High School Investment Competition. Led by Gurtej and comprised of Nancy, Albert, Dhruva, Iqbal, Gabriel, and Micah, we conducted extensive analysis to identify trends and make informed investment decisions, with a focus on sustainable investing. We then compiled our findings into a virtual portfolio, which we presented for our client, Mr. Peter. Our success was the result of tireless effort and dedication, with guidance from our team supervisor and Economics and Business teacher, Mr. Wambua. We also extend our gratitude to Vansh, whose contributions to our presentation were invaluable.

Gurtej, ’24
As I write this, we have just finished Sports Weekend here at the UWC East Africa Moshi campus. A 22-year tradition, this year we saw 10 schools join the two campuses for a marathon of sports. About 700 students started playing sports Friday at 12:30pm and went to 9:30 pm. They then started Saturday at 7am and went to after 10pm, on Sunday again we started at 7am to finish the last final about 2:30pm. Many participants played over 10 matches with some over 20 matches in this time. As you can see in the photo below from the opening ceremony, they look fresh and rested. Not quite the way they looked at the end. We will send out details on the winners and more photos separately.

An event of this magnitude requires a lot of help and I do not have space to thank people individually, but the sports department worked incredibly hard before and during this event. Our kitchen staff, cleaners, gardeners, medical staff and drivers put in long hours to keep the event going. The teachers and other staff ran or supported events even if they were new to them. The PTA ran the concessions, and the students ran the market and drinks stalls. An all-round effort.

Bob Cofer (from the Moshi newsletter)
sustainability committee

Our committee has played a considerable role in spreading awareness amongst our PYP, MYP and DP students, as well as our staff members regarding Sustainability practices. We have introduced sorting systems for our waste and a partnership with the local recycling plant. To trigger greater change, we have also been involved in Pre-COP movements, and our constructive youth proposals sent to the United Nations. Our current working groups are Waste Management, Water Consumption and Carbon Footprint. From finding alternative clean energies to researching efficient carbon offsetting measures, and collaborating with local recycling plants, our Sustainability Committee keeps working to become a key element of the Moshi Campus.

Mathieu, '24
It has been a privilege to be part of something transformative, to see the genuine growth and development of everyone involved over time. To be part of such a supportive, positive and open-minded group was so rewarding, where everyone had opportunities to contribute and initiate, where no idea was dismissed and creativity and energy were always in abundance. It was ever evolving, responsive and hugely creative and, mostly, such fun.

Everyone involved should be feeling mighty proud right now. This was a true collaboration and a colossal team effort. I hope it has been a joyful and memorable experience for everyone in the cast of thousands. Kudos to all of you. Drop the mic.

Ben Morley - Deputy Head of Campus
Peace Begins With Us.” This was the unifying theme for UWC Day across the world this week. UWC Day is the annual global celebration of the UWC mission and values, which takes place on 21st September every year, to coincide with the UN International Day of Peace (and one of my son’s birthdays!). Each year, UWC Day is celebrated by thousands of people worldwide, including students and staff at UWC schools and colleges, National Committees, UWC alumni and friends.

Indeed, it was heartening to hear from our alumni this week as they celebrated all over the globe. Last year’s Student Government Co-President, Navya, contacted me on Wednesday to tell me (and I quote) “I’ve met around 100 people from other UWCs. It’s such an honour.” She went on to say, “We will be having a food feast, presentations, movie night and creating a mural for all the UWCs who joined St. Lawrence.”

UWC Day is a moment to celebrate the strength and diversity of the movement and our shared mission for a more peaceful and sustainable future. It serves as a chance to spread the word about UWC, our work and values. As we joined in the Gathering of Peace or any one of the afternoon activities, I hope you felt this connection to something bigger than ourselves. Something important. For me, UWC Day is also a timely reminder to reflect on what we do as a movement, to determine how to be more effective changemakers and to continue to challenge ourselves.

Ben Morley
(from the newsletter)
Hello everyone! We just want to send a HUGE thank you to all of you who came out to support the International Day event last Saturday. It was truly an awesome afternoon with nearly 50 different countries represented, each selling traditional foods, displaying flags and wearing their national colors! It was a beautiful display of culture, peace and unity, and we are so appreciative to all of you who made it possible. Here are some pictures below from the event!

Mandy Stein, PTA  
(from the newsletter)
holi

Holi is the Hindu festival of colours which is also celebrated across South Asia. To share a little part of our culture, we would like to celebrate Holi on campus on Wednesday the 15th from 4:30 pm to 6pm! The festival uses coloured powders and water, so it is essentially a large coloured water fight;) Traditionally, white is worn on this day so the colours are visible. However, you can wear any old clothes you would not mind staining a little. (Also, the colours we made usually wash out very easily, I wore a white shirt last year and it didn't stain at all).

Everyone is welcome to come and participate, dance and have some fun:) Hope to see everyone there!

Prutha, '23
davis visit

Both campuses then hosted Gale and Shelby Davis. The patronage the Davises give to the UWC movement is remarkable and we were delighted to be able to say thank you to them in person. We enjoyed their visit, and they enjoyed meeting the UWCEA community. The Davises support the UWC schools and colleges and many of our students with their tertiary education. If you like to know more about their involvement in the UWC movement, please visit the UWC Dare to Dream page: www.uwc.org/daretodream and the Davis UWC Scholars website: www.davisuwcscholars.org.

Anna Marsden
From uwcea.org
On behalf of the prom committee, it was an honour organising prom 2023 "une nuit délicance". We had a vision of a night of elegance, and we worked towards achieving that, and it turned out spectacular. We were very overjoyed that we were able to exceed the expectations people had for this year's prom, and we hope we will be able to say the same for next year's prom.

With love,

Nancy from the 2023 prom committee.
(A snippet of residential life for the Diploma Students.)
During my time at this school, I had the opportunity to experience living as both the MYP and DP residential life. The transition from Kivuli to Kisiwa was a significant one, as it marked the start of a new chapter in my academic journey. Kisiwa dorm provided a more independent living experience, with fewer rules and more responsibilities. It was a challenging transition at first, but with the support of my fellow roommates and the guidance of our residential parents, I was able to adjust and thrive in the new environment.

Kisiwa (the Swahili word for ‘island’) created a strong sense of community and camaraderie, and I am grateful for the experience and memories I have from living here. We faced many challenges as a house, from the interesting state of the common room to noise levels and only having a functioning washing machine about a third of the way. However, overcoming these struggles as a collective made Kisiwa a home away from home. After all, perseverance, resilience and reflecting on situations positively, is the foundation for our island!

Mr Simon and Joshua Ezekiel
Kilele and Kipepeo: 2 houses, 2 genders, 1 family!
Imagine a family of 32 with different cultures, different languages, different habits and different characters. There will be some challenges when some are tidy, some are messy, some go to sleep early, some start working after curfew, but in the end we will rather remember the good moments like our art theme residential dinner, our sleepover, our secret Santa, us mopping the floor…
Sharing a kitchen, a bathroom, a washing machine and especially the common room make students get to know each other very well and have endless conversations or chess games! Your residential parents are happy to share these moments with you!

Ms Val and Ms Janet
kijana + kiongozi

Youth and Leadership. Two wonderful houses and 57 even more wonderful people. The little things are what make the place and people so magical. Kijana talks after midnight in the garden. The short people cooking club vibing every night in Kiongozi. Kijana’s history study sessions with Ms. Penny. Room 8 Kiongozi having impromptu music parties. Pulling all nighters in Kiongozi common room and bonding with people, who just like you, wait for the DUE date to finally DO their work. Cups of coffee and “Just Dance” breaks. Hearing Arabic and Spanish conversations every night after curfew. Waking up (occasionally) for suhoor in Ramadan. The fire alarm going off at random times in the night. Guitar sounds and group singing on warm Kijana evenings. The unicycle you see as soon as you enter Kiongozi. Monkeys and cats in the kitchen. Seeing Mr. Simon escape from a tarantula in Kijana. Stealing Kisiwa’s kettle (it definitely wasn’t us!). Ms. Grace’s “How are you, my dear?” that brightens your day. Laughter, songs, and chocolate cupcakes on the monthly birthday celebrations. These are the things that we will remember years after graduation.

Yulia and Wadana, ’23
Kiongozi is a dorm that unites very different people, from real goal achievers to fun providers, however we all get along going through many ups and downs whilst sharing the same snacks after curfew.

Our dorm’s spirit is in the D2s and D1s and late night bread toasts, noodles made in the microwave and Syd making baguettes every other day and beautiful dance parties in the showers.

No dorm - no room like Kiongozi common room at 11pm

Tina, ’24
Kiongozi

To share a home with these people has been entertaining, inspiring and noisy at times! When check-in time arrives, the dorm is filled with laughter and love and it never fails to surprise me just how many of us live in Kijana. This year has been difficult at times but it is through this that Kijana has proven we are all here for each other. Despite our kitchen being a borderline biohazard on several occasions and the constant laundry collection reminders, Kijana has had so many moments such as the giant spider visits, monthly birthday cake celebrations and our rounders picnic that have been very enjoyable. A huge thank you must be said to our houseparents and mentors, we are lucky and grateful to have you and this beautiful dorm.

Megan, ’24
Kijana
(A collection of goodbyes to the teachers who are leaving this year.)
Ms Kerri

Ms. Kerri is the kind of person who never gives up on you. No matter how low the scores are or how many times you yourself have wanted to give up. She is a one of a kind human being, an amazing dog mom, and an inspiring teacher. She never once failed to lend a helping hand, or a kind hug. We are sad to see her go, but happy she’ll be able to continue her teaching journey alongside her new students. Ms. Kerri, you’ll be greatly missed! Thank you so much for never failing to believe in us, and for being such an amazing teacher. It has been an honor to have you as a teacher and friend.

Paola, '23

Ms Ania

From the cheerful mood that you always have walking into Eng class knowing that it's a Monday morning and everybody is really exhausted. To the smile and "It will be fine!" phrase that gave us reassurance that we won’t fail horribly after all! You have taught us that no matter how bad things get, the grass is always greener on the other side. And I am forever grateful for your presence in our lives <3

Gabriel, '24
Mr Anord

Being taught by Mwalimu Anord has been one of the most memorable experiences of our time at UWC East Africa. Mwalimu Anord is not just a teacher, but a mentor and a friend to all his students. He has gone above and beyond to help us transition into the Swahili language in the international Baccalaureate program, and we are forever grateful for his dedication and support. As we bid farewell to Mwalimu Anord, we cannot help but feel a tinge of sadness knowing that we will be losing not just a teacher, but a dear friend and a mentor. However, we take solace in the fact that the lessons he has taught us both inside and outside the classroom will remain with us for the rest of our lives. Mwalimu Anord is one of the best teachers we have had the privilege of learning from. His intellectual understanding of the subject matter is unparalleled, and his passion for teaching is infectious. He has instilled in us a love for learning and a desire to always strive for excellence. Mr. Anord, we want you to know that we love you so much and we will miss you dearly. We wish you all the success in your next chapter of life and encourage you to continue being the caring and concerned teacher that you are. Please know that you will always be a role model to us, and we will forever be grateful for the impact you have had on our lives. Asante sana Mwalimu Anord, kwa yote uliyotufanyia. Tunakutakia kila la heri katika maisha yako ya baadaye. (Thank you so much, Mwalimu Anord, for everything you have done for us. We wish you all the best in your future endeavors.)

D1 Swahili Ab Initio Class
When I first met you, I thought “yo, I’m not too sure about this guy”, but after two years, all I can be is truly grateful for having known you. As I entered M5, I was adamant that my writing was as good as it needed to be, but after you marked one of my English essays, it actually hurt inside. Nonetheless, you pushed me to realize that there was always more to achieve and that this journey of learning should never be stagnant. Your support continued through to my Diversity Calendar, Personal Project, where despite the fact I ended up changing my project nearly half-way through, you were still able to give me the courage and guidance to complete it. I can say without you, it would not have been as good as it turned out to be. Not to mention, your knowledge on various topics from history, religion, philosophy and more, made your classes an absolute treat to be in.

In one of our first classes, you told us to describe ourselves in 10 or so words. Now as our journeys hit a crossroad, I believe I can do the same for you: Immeasurably thoughtful, genuine, and intelligent, yet adorned with humble sincerity. Mr. Dean, I wish you all the best in your future endeavors, and may God continue to bless you and your family!

Gurtej Singh, ’24
I realize that me writing this might be seen as biased, but I know deep down that every student who has had the pleasure of crossing paths with you would agree with me. She’s been so much more than just a teacher to us. She’s a mother, a sister, and a dear friend who’s always been there for us, even when she had one of the toughest jobs on campus.. I remember always passing by her office and seeing at least ten M5 students hanging out there, chatting away, without a care in the world. I’ll never forget the first time I heard the word "yalla" being used by MYP students all around me; Of course, they got it from her, and it’s become a cherished part of their vocabulary. You’ve left an indelible mark on this place, and I can’t imagine what it will be like without you. "Beyt Ms. Farah" will forever hold a special place in our hearts, as will the memories of the laughter and joy that echoed through its walls. Thank you for everything, Ms. Farah. Your beautiful footprint will always be felt in this place, and I’ll carry your kindness, your wisdom, and your love with me wherever I go.

Clara, ’24
Ms Penny

Dear Miss Penny,
Farewells are always sad. For many of us, I believe, this one is the saddest of them all. I can confidently say that being a residential parent for Kijana and Kiongozi, you have become our mother away from home; and your warmth, humor, and sincerity truly made UWC East Africa Moshi campus feel like one. I would like to take this opportunity to say this: Besides all the work you have done as a teacher and a house parent, I want to specifically thank you for the unity you created in the residences and outside of them. We will always miss brownies at the end of each month, spontaneous gifts, and movie nights at your house. These two years have been difficult for all of us, and yet you succeeded to make them full of joyful, warm memories. We send you best wishes and hope for your family’s health and wellness. We will miss you greatly.

Best wishes,

Yana, ’23

Mr Alaistair

Mr. Alastair Coldwell has served this school for three long and gruesome years, but he is leaving the school with so much accomplished. To most, he is viewed as the English and Theatre teacher, but to some he is seen as a friend and someone you can easily talk to. He has directed five plays in his stint in the school, and they have left a number of people to feel inspired to further pursue acting. Despite his diverse accolades, we must remember the character of Mr. Alastair. His humor reminds me of one of a wet dog on a Sunday afternoon, (basically meaning he is not funny) but his constant attempts to make his class laugh will forever be remembered. As you leave Sir, we appreciate what you have left in this school, thank you for providing joy and laughter to all your students. We would like to wish you all the best as you embark on your new journey in South Korea!

Amani, ’23
Ms Katho

Dear Ms Katho, I have never met a person with a bigger smile and more energy than you. Not only have you helped me and other students throughout the entirety of D2, but you’ve been there for us when we struggled and when we wanted to celebrate the improvements that we’ve made in school. I remember running to your room because I had just gotten my first pass for writing in swahili, and you stopped your meeting just to celebrate with me. I am sure that I can say on behalf of the entire D2 inclusion group, that you make our Tuesday afternoon’s better and academic lives easier. Lastly, I want to thank you for all of the times you’ve helped students and me with submissions or checked up on me. Thanks to you, I felt more confident in school and everywhere else. Thank you miss, for being there for everyone. I hope you have a wonderful time at wherever you are going to next and we will all miss you!

Felice, ’23

Dr Kitomary

Dear Ms Andrea, (or Dr K, which I think is one of the coolest nicknames ever) I also remember dearly the talk we had during Women’s Day workshops, where you shared a perspective I had never thought of. I still think about what you said now and then. I will also remember dearly all the check-ins in Kiongozi when we were too lazy to go to the common room, and you would take the extra effort to come into the rooms, with a big smile and the same radiant energy as always, almost as if it wasn’t 21:55 on a wednesday night. You made this school a better place, and I wish I had another year with you here to skip class and go explode all my doubts and worries in your office instead. Lastly, a heart-felt thank you for your bravery, your honesty and your vibe. A strong hug and best wishes for your future adventures!

Marta, ’24
Dearest Mr. Simon,
You are more than outstanding. You are kind-hearted, hardworking, loving, caring, and many more. The words in a dictionary are not enough to describe how amazing you are and how much you mean to each and every one of us. You have left permanent tattoos on all our hearts. We are forever grateful for the service that you have given this school and also for all that you are. Just by being and extending mentorship, love, and understanding to us, you have inspired us to always strive to be better individuals and to ensure that we always make an impact no matter where we go. You embody selflessness and we are not just lucky but blessed to have you in our lives. We wish you nothing but light, love, peace, and happiness wherever you go. Thank you for teaching us the most important lesson we will ever learn which is to turn all experiences Good, bad, happy sad, light dark into learning experiences, into experiences that build us into better people. This message will forever remain in our hearts and will help us push through every single obstacle that life throws at us. I will never say this enough, thank you. Thank you for all that you are and aspire to be. You are an amazing individual whose Presence has been of Grace within each of our lives

Aika, '23

Adiós Sir, thank you for being a guide, friend, support, and hiking partner. I will miss you a lot, and I will continue to think of you when lost in between life paths. Maybe next time we will meet hiking everst...

To hopefully no more gating in the future and to being two people with really cool thumbs With love,

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As I come to the end of this book, I am filled with excitement to share with you the culmination of a journey that was both challenging and rewarding. As I captured photos of every student and in our school, from EC to D2, I was struck by the beauty and joy that surrounded me. It was an unforgettable experience to see some of the students’ smiles for the first time while taking their photo.

I am eternally grateful to the fantastic team who made this book possible. They worked tirelessly to communicate with the school, secure sponsors to make the book affordable, and create a design that truly captured the essence of our community. I owe a special debt of gratitude to my roommate, Marta, whose dedication and passion for the project were beyond compare. I would like to express my deep appreciation to all the teachers who made this project possible, and the school administration who supported us from the very beginning. Working alongside such incredible people has been an experience that I will cherish forever. I cannot wait to look back on this book in 20 years and remember the feeling of creating something that truly captured the magic of our school. As I close this book, I am filled with a sense of gratitude and accomplishment. It is a reminder that when we come together with a shared purpose, we can achieve great things. This book is not just a collection of photos and words, but a testament to the spirit of our school and the people who make it so special. I hope that as you turn the pages of this book, you too will be reminded of the incredible community that we are a part of. May it inspire you to continue to seek out moments of joy and beauty in your own life, and to always strive to create something meaningful.

Thank you so much for being a part of this journey.

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