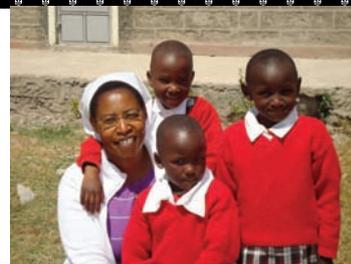




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News Update — September 2013

News from the school

Wangari sends her love and gratitude for everyone's continued support. The school is doing well. In Kenya, the public school teachers have been on strike, demanding a salary increase. With help from Karuri School Project, the children at Sacred Heart School have been unaffected and are able to continue their studies without interruption. All Wangari's teachers have been paid, and their houses, funded by the project, have been completed. This is a good time to buy food, so Wangari has been buying sacks of sugar, maize flour, and rice to store. She has also bought cooking fat, salt, tea bags and firewood.

Wangari has been unwell recently, but with rest, some hospital treatment and a good diet, she seems to be improving. As always, our thoughts and best wishes are with her.

Hebe Holmes Memorial Fund - A day at Smurfit Kappa

Donations to "The Hebe Holmes Memorial Fund" (see Website for "The Hebe Holmes Story") continue through Hebe's father Pete, who is a long-standing employee of the international packaging company, Smurfit Kappa. This year their Yate plant near Bristol adopted the Fund as one of their charities. Two members of the Karuri School Project fundraisers were able to attend a Family Fun Day on July 13th. They were greeted at the plant with generous hospitality, a band and many stalls, games and activities for all employees' families. The sun shone throughout on what turned out to be a day to remember.

Family members were deeply moved to see Hebe's memory kept alive at the Karuri School Project stall, and Pete was delighted to accept a cheque from the company for £2,500 on behalf of the project. The employees' generous response continues and further greatly appreciated donations to the Fund have been received from the plants at Northampton and Cork in Ireland.

The total amount raised in memory from June 2012 to the present time is £7183 - an amazing tribute to a very special person. Hopefully Hebe's family can take comfort from such positive outcomes in her name. Certainly the children in Kenya will always remember her.



The Cutts' family visit

We would like to thank the Cutts family who took time out from a Kenyan safari holiday in February to visit Sacred Heart School. They took teaching materials, games, clothing and an amazing selection of football equipment, donated by top football clubs. They also delivered the plaque in memory of Hebe. Many thanks, Janet, Geoff and Harry.

Message from Wangari

I really appreciate so much your support and help. I know it is hard work which needs a heart that is ready to love and make a difference, gradually. God bless, Wangari

