



# Michogomone Primary School

Meru, Kenya



- 187 students in pre-primary to grade 7.
- 11 classrooms, 12 teachers and 3 support staff.
- Daily hot lunch program supported by the school farm.



The children's families speak the Imenti dialect Their livelihoods come from growing maize, beans, potatoes, cabbages and carrots.



## The big challenge: lack of resources and food

Primary education is free in Kenya; however that does not include mandatory items such as books and uniforms. School infrastructure is poor and there is little investment in other public infrastructure, including hospitals and road networks. Agricultural output is poor because the country relies on rain-fed agriculture, despite increasingly arid climates, which leads to widespread food insecurity.

## Michogomone Primary's needs:



**Farm Irrigation:** The school farm is large, highly productive and essential for the school's daily lunch program. The school needs irrigation to keep it healthy in the long dry seasons.



**Water Storage Tanks:** The school needs water storage tanks to collect water for drinking, handwashing, cleaning, cooking and school farm irrigation.



**Accessible Learning Materials:** The school needs more devices for students with disabilities.



**Mattresses:** The early childhood (ECD) students have more than quadrupled since Michogomone started the school meal program. The school does not have enough mattresses for naptime.



**Toys:** The ECD classes now need more toys for the toddlers to play with.



**Floors:** The concrete classroom floors are old, and full of potholes.

**Roof:** The iron sheets that form the classroom roofs are worn out. They will leak in the rain.



**Classroom walls:** The walls are unpainted and the classrooms are not well ventilated.



**Windows and doors:** The classrooms have wire mesh over the windows instead of glass. This does not keep wind, rain, and dust out of the classroom.



**Desks:** The increased enrollment has meant that many children must share one desk, which is cramped and uncomfortable.



**Textbooks:** Thanks to the school feeding program and sponsorship, enrollment has increased, The school now does not have enough books to go around, and the children must share.



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