



## STAHILI FOUNDATION

### WWB TICINO INDIVIDUAL CHILD UPDATES

#### **Cai John**

Cai John is as sweet as ever. Michelle and Laura visited him this school break and report that he is a generally happy kid. Cai John is doing well and loves being with the rest of the Stahili kids. Cai John loved Stahili's field trip to the Blue Post Hotel and couldn't stop talking about being a boat for the first time. This break, with your generous support and that of WWB Ticino, Cai John received new school uniforms, food, undergarments, and all of the basic toiletries he needs for school. We also took him to the doctor and are happy to also report that he is in good health. We have also started giving the kids a new antibacterial soap so to keep them strong and healthy!

This break Cai John returned to school to learn that his grandparents had divorced. As such, Cai John moved with his grandmother, sister Susan, and aunt to a very small room. Stahili has assessed the situation and will assist Cai John and his family move into a larger and adequate living space where he can flourish upon his return from school.

#### **Susan**

Susan is growing so fast and has become quite the responsible young lady. We took Susan to the doctor this break and are happy to report that she is in good health. Susan also volunteered to ensure that the other kids take their medication while at school. We are so proud of the role she has taken on with the rest of our children. Susan is really happy and loved the new backpack she received. This break Stahili Foundation also supported Susan with a new sweater for school, new uniform for physical education, and all of her other term 3 needs. We have also started giving the kids a new antibacterial soap to keep them strong and healthy! With your support we also helped their grandma with food for the kids. Susan also joined us on our field trip and absolutely adored the boat ride and putting on her life vest!

This break Susan returned from school to learn that her grandparents had divorced. As such, Susan moved with her grandmother, brother Cai John, and aunt to a very small room in another town. Stahili has assessed the situation and will assist Susan and her family move into a larger and adequate living space where she can flourish upon his return from school.

#### **Joseph Muwara**

Joseph is growing up so fast! He is doing really well in school, placing 16<sup>th</sup> out of 102 of his classmates. We could not be more proud of him. Joseph spent this break with his grandmother, aunt, and his brother John in the village. With your support, Stahili provided the family with food and provided John

with a new sweater, school socks, padlock for school, and all the toiletries he could need for the semester. We have also started giving the kids a new antibacterial soap so to keep them strong and healthy!

### **Alex Macharia**

Alex was so happy to be joining us to school this term! As the brother of Lucy, Stahili wanted to keep this beautiful family together. Stahili also met with Alex's previous school to learn more about his academic aptitude. The principal indicated that Alex is an incredibly smart boy who can be first in his class with some encouragement. We know that he can!

Alex is a kind and caring boy with an incredibly happy disposition. He was so thankful to all of the new items he received for school from new uniforms to mattresses. With your support, Alex has everything he needs to succeed. Alex really loved joining us on the field trip to see the animals and river boat ride! Stahili also took Alex to the doctor for a general check-up and we are happy to report that he is doing well and has no problems. We treated him for a minor skin condition which should clear very quickly!

### **Catherine Njoki**

Catherine has really opened up since joining us last term! We see noticeable differences in her disposition and are enthusiastic to report that she is incredibly happy! Catherine's school grades went up this semester and we are so proud to see her always doing her best. Catherine's health is great and we treated her only for a small skin rash. She absolutely enjoyed the field trip Stahili took this school break. While she loves touching the turtles in the animal zoo, she particularly loved putting on her life jacket and riding on a boat for the first time!

This term, Stahili supported Catherine and her family with food. We also provided her with a new sweater, undergarments, slippers, and all other toiletries she needs for the school term. We have also started giving the kids a new antibacterial soap so to keep them strong and healthy!

### **Peris Wambui**

Peris is still our sweetest little tomboy. She is doing really well at school and is in great health! She sent this school break with her aunt and two sisters which she loved. Peris also loved coming back to Onesmus' house and to play with the boys!

Peris joined us on our second field trip and absolutely loved riding a boat for the first time. From zipping up her lifejacket to singing "row, row, row your boat" as loud as she could, it was clear that Peris loved it! Peris also loved seeing the animals, but can be a bit rough with them! During this break Stahili replaced a number of clothing items and provided Peris with food support. Stahili has also provided Peris with a new backpack and all that she needs for the school term from new undergarments to soap. We have also started giving the kids a new antibacterial soap so to keep them strong and healthy!

### **Margret**

Margret is such a happy and sweet little girl. We were so proud of her for doing her best at school this semester. She spent this school break with her aunt and two sisters which she loved. Margret also spent time with her friends Amina and Baby Joyce. Her health is generally good except for a skin rash we treated with antibiotics after a visit to the doctor for a general check-up.

Margret joined us on our second field trip and absolutely loved riding a boat for the first time. It was too bad that the rains set in before she could play on the merry-go-round! Stahili has also provided Margret with a new backpack (which she LOVES) and all that she needs for the school term from new undergarments to a new pullover for school. We have also started giving the kids a new expensive antibacterial soap so to keep them strong and healthy!

### **Mary Njoki**

Mary is our youngest and sweetest little girl. You can always find Mary with a giant smile on her face, especially if you take out your camera! She is definitely not camera shy. Mary is still in nursery school and we are noticing incredible progress in her development. Mary is now able to converse in English as well as Kiswahili and her tribal language, Kikuyu! She is one smart cookie!

Mary hurt herself this school break playing with a wheel barrel and needed to have her wound cleaned and dressed. Michelle took her to the hospital on a number of occasions to keep her wound clean and we are happy to report that her wound is now clean and healed! Mary received a new backpack and has been provided with all the necessary items she needs to succeed.

### **John**

John is doing really well and growing so tall... he may soon surpass his older brother! John enjoyed his break, spending time in the village with his brother Joseph, grandma and aunt. He did well in school this term and is in good health.

John enjoyed our field trip to the Blue Post Hotel where he went on a nature walk to see the animals and on a boat ride. The boat ride was definitely the most exciting for him! With your support, this term we supported John and his family and provided him with a new sweater for school and all the items he needs to succeed throughout the term. We have also started giving the kids a new antibacterial soap so to keep them strong and healthy!

### **Joseph Manyaro**

Joseph Manyaro is doing really well and thriving in school. We are seeing a consistent progression in his grades and are so proud of him and his good behaviour. He really enjoyed joining us on the field trip to the Blue Post Hotel where he got to see the animals in the zoo and ride on a boat for the first time! His expression the whole day was priceless.

Thanks to your support, this break we supported Manyaro and his family. We also replaced his uniform and provided him with everything he needs to succeed in school this term. We have also started giving the kids a new antibacterial soap so to keep them strong and healthy! Asante sana!

### **Kagiri**

Kagiri is as sweet as ever. A quiet boy with a big heart. Kagiri spent the school break with his aunt and brother Sospeter. He really enjoyed joining us on the field trip to the Blue Post Hotel where he got to see the animals in the zoo and ride on a boat for the first time! He was excited.

We took Kagiri for a medical check-up and are happy to report that he is in great health! Kagiri adjusted very well this term and we are proud that he did his very best at school. With your support, we supported Kagiri and his family with food and supplies during this school break. We have also started

giving the kids a new antibacterial soap to keep them strong and healthy! He was also particularly thankful for his new and durable backpack! Asante Sana!

### **Ebenezer**

Ebenzer is still as sweet and as quiet as we know him to be. As an animal lover, he really enjoyed the visit to the zoo at the Blue Post Hotel with Stahili this school break. He also really loved riding a boat for the very first time! Ebenzer is doing well in school and continues to be his loveable old-souled self.

With your support, we supported Ebenzer and his family with food and supplied during this school break. We have also started giving the kids new antibacterial soap to keep them strong and healthy! Together we also provided Ebenzer with everything he needs to succeed from notebooks to shoe polish, so that he can keep his school shoes clean. He was particularly thankful for his new and durable backpack! Asante Sana!

### **Albert Mbuthia**

Albert, and his brothers Mwangi and Francis joined us this term to complete our family. We were elated to bring the three boys back to school with us just a few weeks ago. Albert who is the oldest of the three was quiet at first, but quickly opened up, laughed and played with the other kids. The three brothers have been through a lot, even before being placed at the orphanage. While Albert can be shy, we are keeping an eye that he will begin to open up again once he settles in with familiar faces.

The boys had nothing when we found them living with the grandfather on the side of a mountain very far away. Stahili quickly mobilized resources and we are pleased to announce that Albert has everything he needs to succeed this term at school thanks to your support. We look forward to providing you with termly updates on his progress. Thank you for giving Albert a life that he deserves!

### **Francis Wainaina**

Francis, and his brothers Mwangi and Albert joined us this term to complete our family. We were elated to bring the three boys back to school with us just a few weeks ago. Francis, who is the middle of the three was shy like his brother Albert as well. Over the past 4 years, Francis has come so far and we are working hard to make sure his growth not only continues, but is fostered.

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### **Stephen Mwangi**

Stephen Mwangi, and his brothers Albert and Frances joined us this term to complete our family. We were elated to bring the three boys back to school with us. Mwangi, who is the smallest of our children, is just as rambunctious as we remember him. Mwangi is his same loving, mischievous self!

The boys had nothing when we found them living with the grandfather on the side of a mountain very far away. Stahili quickly mobilized resources and we are pleased to announce that Mwangi has everything he needs to succeed this term at school thanks to your support. We look forward to providing you with termly updates on his progress. Thank you for giving Mwangi a life that he deserves!