

## MAPEREKA SCHOOL 2025/26 REPORT OF ACTIVITIES

### SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAMME

The third term witnessed the Smooth rolling out of phala project as it could come in good time and prepared in time for learners to eat before attending classes. The community is very thankful for the project because it has addressed malnutrition among school going children, reduce drop out rate, improve academic performance and attendance rates. We humbly request MLANGO and its partners not to stop this and extend the program to other schools so that education standards to rise in Mulanje and Malawi as a nation..

### SCHOOL GARDEN ACTIVITIES

Mapereka school has embarked on to educate students and the community about the importance of farming and sustainability while promote good eating habits. The project sponsored by MLANGO focuses on cultivating local leafy such as amarathus, pumpkin leaves((nkhwani) and fruits such as bananas, guavas and mangoes using composed manure.The production of these vegetables and fruits is done in both school garden and other idle land. It is noted that these agricultural activities not only provide students with hands on experience in gardening and crop management but also helps the community to emulate the activities where by provide them with banana plants and other skills when needed.This first term we have planted pumpkin leaves, rape, amarathus and bananas that will help to lay a strong platform where agricultural experiments will be carried out.

### LIVE FENCE

The live fence is doing great and taking its shape as nsungwi is growing well and in the coming years we will have the garden fully covered.

INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT Mapereka school is very grateful to MLANGO and its partners for the provision of desks, borehole and maintenance of toilets for the school to have clean environment.

### SPORTS

We are also thankful to MLANGO family for the donation of jessey, footballs, netball and pump to be used in sporting activities.

### CHALLENGES

Despite all the support from MLANGO and its partners, we are still facing the following challenges;

- 1.Inadequate tools such as shovels, hoes, wheelbarrows, slashers and panga knives
- 2.Shortage of desks in senior classes(5 to 7)
- 3.Lack of training for agriculture teachers in MLANGO schools

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Regards,

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