



Sekolah Penuai

Q312 Progress Report

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New Website

A new website promoting the ministry, i.e. **Sekolah Penuai** and the **School Planting** Campaign was rolled out. Please visit the website and give your comments. The address is:

www.touchpapua.org

Acknowledgment

Q312 report are marked by the beginning of the 2012/2013 school year. The repercussions of the tribal wars that ended in late October 2012 (hopefully this time for real) still linger. The plan to start a new school in Kampung Tengah, Kwamki Lama, had to be postponed, and the kids from Kampung Tengah are still reluctant to go to TK Penuai 1.

Yet, the number of children for the new school year appears good. It is slightly better than last year. With more children coming after the wars, the numbers are expected to grow even further.

Three new teachers have joined the teaching staff and more are coming. The reason: anticipation of the opening of new TKs and, hopefully, a new elementary school next year.

The addition of two new classrooms in TK Penuai 1 has been made and came into use at the start of the new school year.

The beta version of the website built to promote Sekolah Penuai and the School Planting campaign was rolled out. The final version incorporating comments and suggestions is expected to be launched by the end of Q113.

Thanks to PEP and all sponsors and contributors who have made it possible. Your ongoing support is very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

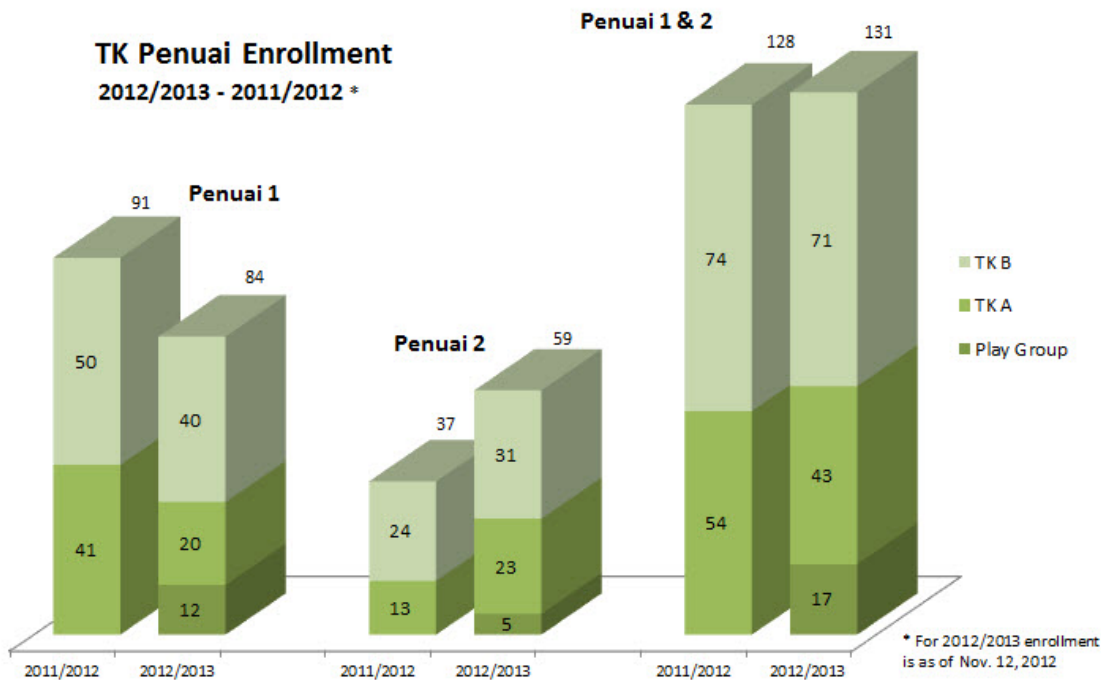
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ENROLLMENT FOR 2012/2013 SCHOOL YEAR

The effect of the tribal wars ended late October 2012 are still felt in mid November. TK Penuai 1 suffers the most from the wars. A great number of the children from Kampung Tengah, either from TK A who should now go to TK B or the new kids who should begin enrolling in school, has not shown up yet.

After three months since the school opening, the enrollment figure for TK Penuai 1 is still adjusting, as changes are still happening. There are kids who are now absent but might soon come to school, as the tumult subsides. On the other hand, there are kids who are now going to school, but chances are these kids are going to migrate out of Kwamki Lama.

Despite the wars, the total 2012/2013 enrollment figure (TK Penuai 1 and TK Penuai 2 as of November 12, 2012) is slightly higher by some 2%. The breakdown of the enrollment is as follows: an increase of some 59% in TK Penuai 2, and a decrease of some 8% in TK Penuai 1. Please see below graph.



PENUAI 1 ENROLLMENT STATUS

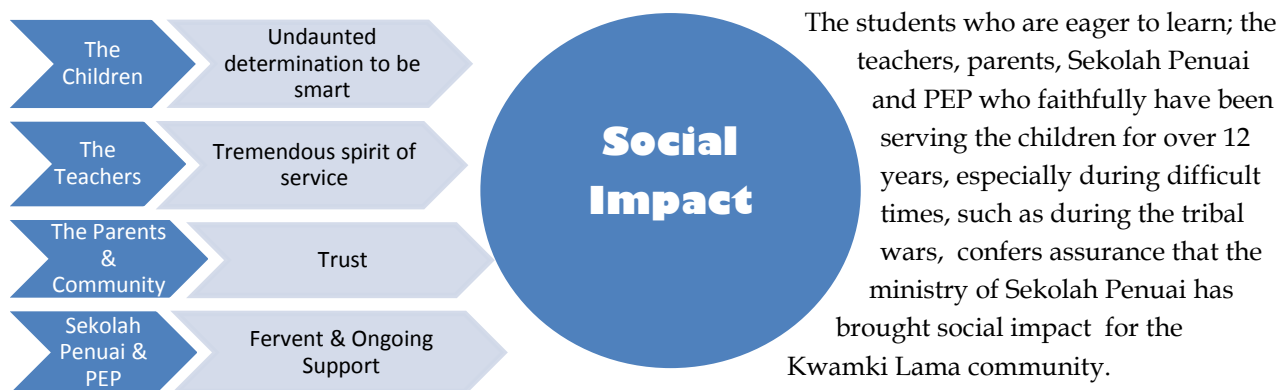
TK Penuai 1 suffers the most from the tribal wars. New applicants for the current TK B are 40 kids, of which 16 are new, and 24 came from previous year's TK A. Actually, the number of kids that graduated from TK A was 41. With 5 kids that wish to stay in TK A, as they are still very young (below 5 years old), there are still 12 children from the previous TK A that supposedly are to join the current TK B.

The situation in the current TK A is not much different. From a low estimate averaging some 30 kids in TK A, only 20 showed up.

Assuming the wars really ended, it is anticipated that some more 15-20 kids will be joining TK Penuai 1, changing the number to be around 100 (now 84).

SOCIAL IMPACT

The record number of enrollment in the middle of a raging war breeds some thoughts. First, the desire of the children to come forward and become smart is so strong. The pupils who kept coming to school, even though the war was still going on, verified this yearning. Second, the dedication of the teachers who, during the war, consistently came to school, although not many students showed up, revealed a tremendous spirit of service. Third, the fact that both the parents and the community that keep asking us to open a new kindergarten in Kampung Tengah, Kwamki Lama, as well as an elementary school, and who continue sending their kids to Sekolah Penuai, indicates trust.



To learn more about the thoughts underlying the ministry of Sekolah Penuai, please click the following article: [Beacons of Hope](#).

To get a glimpse of the last tribal war, please click the following video: [Tribal Conflicts in Kwamki Lama](#). Another article, [Tribal Conflicts in Kwamki Lama](#), attempts to provide an account of this mayhem.

NEW CLASSROOMS IN TK PENUAI 1



Two new classrooms in TK Penuai 1 have been completed and put into use for the new 2012/2013 school year. Now, with the new classrooms all children can go to class in the morning. Previously, due to limited classrooms, some children were forced to learn in morning-afternoon classes (10.30 am to 1 pm).

The building of the new classrooms have some disadvantages, though: it has reduced the playground space. With some 80 students, and more coming, TK Penuai 1 is actually overcrowded.

PROSPECTS OF NEW TK

Based on observations and feedback from the people, Sekolah Penuai aims to open two more kindergartens next year. One TK in Kampung Tengah in Kwamki Lama, and one TK in Gorong2, Timika.



With a Kampung Tengah elder and his family. April 2012

Discussions with the teachers and the Kwamki Lama elders on the possible opening of a TK Penuai in Kampung Tengah had been going on for some time; however, it was stopped because of the raging war. Kampung Tengah is part of the Kwamki Lama district and has the most school-age children. As a matter of fact, a number of Kampung Tengah's kids go to TK Penuai 1. Kampung Tengah is also known as the more notorious and vulnerable area in Kwamki Lama in terms of tribal wars/village feuds.

Hopefully, now that the war is over, we can reopen discussions and prepare to open a new TK as soon as possible. Some of the children from TK Penuai 1, especially those who live in and around Kampung Tengah, may be relocated from the overcrowded TK Penuai 1.

Based on a reference from ibu Ruth, one of Sekolah Penuai's teachers who lives in Gorong2, an initial observation was carried out in the area. It appeared that a new school is indeed needed. There are many children and there is no school in the neighborhood. Further due diligence will be carried out to understand the needs and the school package that needs to be prepared, if the plan of opening a new TK in Gorong2 is to be realized.

The plan to open more school is in line with the School Planting campaign sponsored by Sekolah Penuai. To find out more about the concept, please click the following presentation: [School Planting](#).



With mama Gai and her children in Gorong2 - September 2012

NEW TEACHERS

Three more persons were added to Sekolah Penuai's teaching staff. The addition has been made to cope with the growing number of children in the existing schools, and in anticipation of opening more schools in the near future. On top of the teachers recruited from the surrounding local community, a certified teacher who will teach the children and mentor the new teachers will be imported from elsewhere, a modus that proved successful in breeding more and more qualified teachers.

NEW WEBSITE: WWW.TOUCHPAPUA.ORG

The beta version of our website promoting the ministry, TouchPapua.org, was rolled out early October 2012. The purpose of the website is to encourage people to participate in the community services aiming for a better livelihood of the Papuans, and to provide a channel of communication with the people pertaining to the projects sponsored by TouchPapua/Yayasan KBMY.

TouchPapua.org is a division of Yayasan KBMY that also operates Sekolah Penuai.

Upon browsing the website, you are kindly requested to give any comments to: admin@touchpapua.org.

Incorporating all comments, suggestions and criticisms, the website's final version is expected to be launched by the end of the first quarter of 2013.

The screenshot shows the homepage of TouchPapua.org. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for HOME, CONTACT US, and DONATE on the left, and INDONESIA and ENGLISH on the right. The main header features the logo "TOUCH PAPUA.org" with the tagline "Community Services" and a quote: "Sharing what we have for a better Papua".

Below the header, there is a central content area. On the left, a sidebar contains navigation links: About, News & Viewpoints, Facts & Articles, Video, and Projects. The Projects section highlights "Sekolah Penuai" with its logo. The main content area features a large image of children in graduation gowns, titled "2012 Graduation". To the right of the image, there is text describing the KBMY Foundation (Kelompok Belajar Murid Yesus : Disciples of Jesus Study Group) and a "READ MORE" button.

On the right side of the page, there is a vertical sidebar with several sections: "Today" (Thursday, November 22, 2012, 10:22 AM), "Statement Of Faith", "Torah Portion", "Insights", "Song", "Sponsors & Partners" (listing Papua Education Program and BPK PENABUR), and a "SCHOOL PLANTING" logo at the bottom.