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WILDLIFE WARRIORS KIDS

Hello Wildlife Warriors!

Stay connected to nature even when you are at home on this fifth edition of the weekly wild update.

Photo by Hassan Esmail: Runner - up in the Nature's Treasures Photo Competition on the theme "In The Sky"

This week, we celebrate **Global Wind Day**, **World Sea Turtle Day** and **World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought.**

We also have the continuing story of the **Gosa Meerkats**, tips on how to take the BEST wildlife photographs, projects that you can do at home to save the environment, a puzzle and much, much more…

Stay with us in this fun filled adventure and remember to share it with all your friends.

THIS WEEK ON MY WILD AFRICA!

Last week, a tragedy hit one of the Gosa meerkats, caused by one of Kalahari's most dangerous creatures…

And NOW, a predator is lurking in their neighborhood. Tune in to Citizen TV this Sunday at 5:30pm to see what happens.

Watch the Film and tell us what you learnt by sending an **SMS** or **WhatsApp** message to **0746 511787**

CONGRATULATIONS SHIRU NDEGWA!

Shiru Ndegwa (14 years) won the Nature's Treasures Photo Competition on the theme **'Under the Surface'.**

The photo is on life in the soil, where you can almost see the roots of plants. It shows an angle of what people would not normally look at or see.

PHOTOGRAPHY TIP BY USHA HARISH!

Leading lines

Leading lines make sure you don't miss or cut off part of the subject of your photograph.

The lines ensure your image has lasting visual impact.

USHA HARISH
PHOTOGRAPHY

PUZZLE TIME!

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T	O	X	P	W	R	G	I	H	K
W	S	Q	T	H	E	N	Y	C	N
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A	K	R	V	H	C	I	D	W	S
K	W	I	N	D	W	B	L	E	W

Find the following words: **blows, wind, time, the, every**

Rearrange these words to form a sentence.

How many times has the word wind been repeated?

Play with your friends/family members and look out for next week's issue to see if you got it right!

GLOBAL WIND DAY!

Wind is moving air. It is produced by the uneven heating of the earth's surface by the sun.

Wind is considered a renewable energy source because it will continually be produced as long as the sun shines on the earth.

To celebrate the global benefits of wind energy, Global Wind Day is celebrated on **June 15th** every year.

Today, wind energy is mainly used to generate electricity. Do you know how this done?

DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE BOY WHO HARNESSED THE WIND?

William Kamkwamba was born and raised in rural Malawi. His family were maize farmers but in 2001, when drought hit his country, his people were facing famine.

William was 14 years and had just joined Secondary school, but because of lack of school fees, he had to drop out of school.

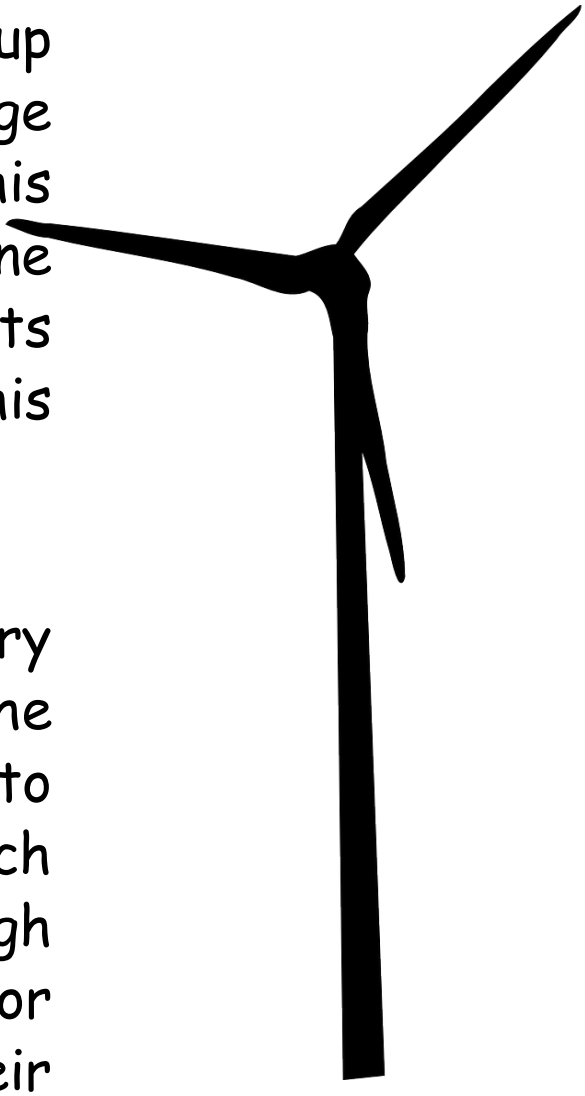
Instead of staying at home, he would sneak into the school library to read books. His reading was poor so he looked at books with pictures and diagrams to figure out the words.

William loved Physics books and one book that he read was about windmills that could pump water. Ah! He thought. This will be a great defense against hunger because a windmill can pump water and we can use this for irrigation.

Sadly, William had no money for materials… But there was a scrap yard in his village so he went there to look for materials. People thought he had gone mad, even his own mother laughed at him.

But William was determined. He knew he could save his family from starvation.

William collected what he needed and made his windmill. Soon people were lining up outside his house to charge their phones from his windmill. His simple machine was able to provide 12 volts of electricity and now his family had electricity.



Eventually, William's story reached many people and he was able to get money to build a bigger windmill which can generate enough electricity to pump water for his village to irrigate their farms.

Do you have an interesting story to share?!

Please send an **SMS** or **WhatsApp message** with your **story** to **0746 511787**.

Include your **full name** and **age**

WILD JOKE!

Q: Which is the richest animal in the wild?

A: Chameleon

Q. Why does the crab never share?

A. Because he's shellfish.

Q. What did the baby elephant ask his mom before they left for vacation? Can I borrow a suitcase?

A. I only have a little trunk.

Q. What did the toad say when he parked illegally?

A. Just waiting for the bus because my car got toad.

Q. What did the seal say when his friend told him a joke?

A. That's the sealiest thing I've ever heard!

Q. What did the Buffalo say to his son when he went off to college?

A. Bison

ANIMAL OF THE WEEK!

SPEKE'S WEAVER

Photo by: Murad Habib

Did you know...

A male Speke's weaver is bright yellow from nape to forehead and its rump and underparts? The face, with white eyes and throat are black.

Wild Quiz

Carefully observe the photo on this page. Is this Speke's weaver male or female?

Send your answer via **SMS** or **WhatsApp** message to **0746 511787**

The winner will be mentioned in the next issue

WHAT ACTIONS ARE YOU TAKING TO HELP NATURE?

The Wildlife Warriors Kids Club at Inkoisuk Primary School in Kajiado South Planting trees in their school in an effort to reduce desertification

What is desertification?

Desertification is the degradation of land in arid, semi arid and dry sub-humid areas into desert, resulting from various factors including climatic variations and human activities.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU CAN DO TO REDUCE DESERTIFICATION?

- Protecting the vegetation cover by growing trees and grass.
- Preventing soil erosion by digging terraces to prevent gully erosion.
- Stop cutting down of trees .
- Educate people on how to farm and use land without harming it.

Please send an **SMS** or **WhatsApp message** or **photos** to **0746511787**
and share with us the activities you will take part in to make your environment cleaner and healthier!

WORLD GIRAFFE DAY!

Photo by Anthony Wachira

This Sunday, June 21st 2020 is **World Giraffe Day!**

Did you know that…

Just like our finger prints, NO two giraffes have the same coat patterns and that their tongues are bluish-purple and can grow longer than the 30 centimeter ruler?

COMING UP… DON'T MISS!

Photo by Sourish Trivedy (15 years)

- Wildlife Warriors on Switch TV at 2:00pm on June 21st, 2020
- My Wild Africa on Citizen TV at 5:30pm on June 21st, 2020.
- World Giraffe Day on June 21st, 2020

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