

HAPPENINGS in Papua New Guinea

ASAROKA LUTHERAN SECONDARY SCHOOL, 2018

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100KVA GENERATOR

The school now has a new 100kva generator set. It was delivered some weeks ago. Wirings are yet to be done to classrooms and teachers houses. PNG Power has become unreliable



with constant blackouts where it sometimes takes days or weeks before power comes on again. With the new generator, power related issues will be gone. A house fit for the generator has been built and the generator now sits comfortably. Thanks to the Principal Martin Akiro who saw the need and immediately purchased this generator.

SAWMILL FOR SCHOOL

The school is double-blessed too! A



sawmill has also been purchased. Asaroka has lots of trees fit for lumbers and the Principal says that we should be able to build more teachers houses, classrooms and desks with our own

trees – that is why the sawmill was purchased. As can be seen, the sawmill is now in protective custody!

Few logs have been milled. The logs were dragged-in by the tractor based at the circuit/ church. This tractor was used to do the ploughing of the farm. Earlier a chainsaw was bought and this is used to cut the logs into desired metres.



Perhaps actual work will begin early next year. The school calendar has come to an end and everyone is thinking about the festive season and all things are at hold.

RICE SPROUTING

Rice seed sowed some weeks ago is sprouting. Students and other people were engaged in planting the seeds. Perhaps by next year, 2019 they will be ready for harvesting.

Some people are employed or engaged by the school to take care of the rice full time from pigs and other insects etc. This first project on the farm with rice is the first pilot project and should the rice do well, the school may engage in using all available fields within the school. We hope so.

PRINCIPAL & TEACHERS POSTING

Teachers in PNG teach for a year and then have to apply for positions for the next year. We all applied this year for next year 2019, which is supposed to come out some times next week or the following. We are still waiting as authorities are still working on it, they say.

The Principal and the Deputies positions are also to be screened and given to some one (there has always been problems over this positions). We are still waiting to date and do not know who will be the Principal or the deputies. I will let you all know (if I am around). Pray with us.

ASSESSMENT & SCHOOL CLOSES

The school closes on Friday 7th December according to the Education calendar.

All assessments have been completed and teachers are now planning to go to their provinces/ places.

Workers will be also on holidays, while 2 care-takers teachers will be appointed with 50 students to take care of the school.

God bless you all and thanks for remembering us in your prayers and thanks also for sharing with us.

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