

**AN INVESTIGATION OF CHILD ABUSE ON SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL
DEVELOPMENT OF PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN IN MBONDONI
ZONE IN KITUI COUNTY**

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ABSTRACT

The researcher had carried his research on effects of child abuse in relation to social and emotional developmental in primary school children in Mbondoni zone in Kitui County. The major investigation of this study was to look for the types of child abuse, factor contributing to child abuse and affects of child abuse. The researcher wanted to resolve the following objectives; Identify types of child abuse, Identify factors contributing to child abuse, to investigate effects of child abuse, to investigate how to curb child abuse.

The researcher wanted the researcher to benefit children in primary school through their teachers who educated them on how to protect themselves from child abuse; parents through PTA meetings were enlightened about child abuse, pre-school teachers, care takers, community and ministry of education and health. The study was carried out in Mbondoni zone Kitui County and the researcher has sampled three schools i.e. Kiomo, Mbondoni and Tyaa primary schools.

The researcher used survey design and sampled randomly the selected school . The data was collected through questionnaires and interviews. The data collected was analyzed through the use of frequency tables, bar graphs and pie charts.