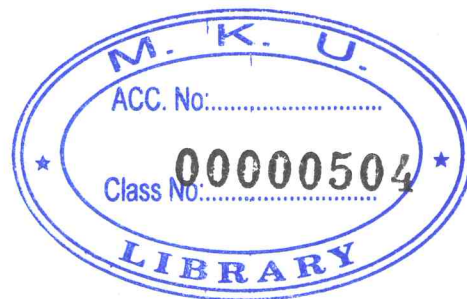


**EFFECTS OF CHILDHOOD DISEASES ON LOWER
PRIMARY EDUCATION IN MIHUTI SUBLOCATION
MUKURUWE-INI DISTRICT NYERI COUNTY.**

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ABSTRACT

Knowledge about common disease in children is very vital to the parent, teacher, guardian and the care givers. Parents and guardians can easily get it from the educational seminars offered by doctors in the hospital seminars in the preparation classes. Teachers and caregivers will easily get from lecture classes in college and also in non – governmental organization (N.G.O's) seminars. The research was carried out after an investigation of lower primary pupils that they are greatly affected by common diseases in their bodies especially those children aged 6-8 years and this makes them to Miss Classes often and their academic performance to children of 6-8 years in Igana Sub-location. It also helps the researcher to find out the relationship between common diseases and academic performance. The Research target was primary school s with trained and untrained teachers. The sample 20% of 7 schools with 500 children was taken. The researcher used purposive sampling. The data was analyzed through percentage and measure of central tendency and presented using line graph, bar graph and pie chart. However the researcher found that 4 out of 7 schools had less than 50% of children .The data was analyzed through percentage and measure of central tendency and presented using line graph, bar graph and pie chart. However the researcher found that 4 out of 7 schools and less than 50% of children treated against common diseases. Those children who are prevented perform above pass mark that is 50% since they are in class all the time where they work together in small groups with little guidance.

This research describes the effect of common diseases in Mukurwe-ini zone in relation to academic performance. The researcher requested the teachers and parents to observe hygiene and notional values. Also requested the government facilitators and trainers to advocate for preventive measures to parents and teachers by holding workshops and seminars.

The research findings will be used by:-

Parents to improve on the hygiene, nutrition and medical care of their children in order to improve their performance.

Teachers to be particular about their students' health and improve hygiene min the school e.g. by encouraging and washing and to sensitize parents on proper medical, hygiene and nutritional care.

Education officers and policy makers to enhance policies on childhood diseases control

Although various studies has been made on the subject none has so far done at Mihuti sub-location and thus I feel the need for the same in the area.

When conducting the research high level of confidentiality was to be observed and the participants did so on their own free will .