

MURERA EDUCATION - WEB INFO.



INTRODUCTION.

Murera education Centre is located in the Meru National Park and is meant to serve the Eastern Conservation Area .The Centre started its operations in 1980 with the aim of:-

- Creating awareness in order to gain appreciation of Meru National Park by communities living around the park.
- Illustrating the threats to Meru National Park's ecosystem that are a direct result of human activity.
- Preparing pupils to play an active role through participation and exposure for them to assist mitigate environmental threats caused by human activities.
- Promoting environmental action learning in order to bridge the gap between schools, local community and the wider environment.
- Enhancing the learning process in schools by providing new and exciting experiences.

- Increasing participation by school and children in the conservation of the environment in their school or at home.
- Increasing Children’s creativity and innovation towards identifying and solving of local environmental problems and taking actions geared towards sustainable practices around the park.
- Increasing community awareness on the significance of responsible practices and activities for their survival and that of the park.

EDUCATION PROGRAMMES.

- i) Outreach Programmes.
- ii) In house programmes.
- iii) Celebration of World conservation days
- iv) Annual WCK – KWS workshop
- v) Teachers /Students trainings and seminars on environmental issues.
- vi) Annual Staff/ departmental information exchange workshops.
- vii) Participation in Annual ASK Shows.

EDUCATION FACILITIES.

a) Eighty (80) Capacity Lecture Hall.



Murera Education centre has an 80 capacity fully equipped Lecture Hall which is used for in house programmes, Trainings

b) A well Equipped Video/Books Library.



The Education Library is equipped with assorted Conservation Books, various profession books and story books .Its open and accessible by both staff and visitors to the park.

c) Park Tours in collaboration with Tourism Department.



A 62 Seater bus is available for hire. Its operates from as far as Meru Town to the park and back.

d) Out Door Classroom.



The Class room is Located near the Murera River; its ideal for the afternoon lectures when the Temperatures are High in the afternoon..

d) A riverine Board Walk.



The board is build across the Murera River and its ideal for studying riverine vegetation and watching birds.

e) Students Hostel.



A fully Operational 32 capacity hostel; equipped with Mattresses, mattress covers and Mosquito Nets is available for use by Students visiting the Park.
Charges: Booking fee Ksh.1000 (Non refundable), Kes.100 per

f) Assorted Trophy exhibition at the centre.



The centre is equipped with assorted skulls which aids in educating groups visiting the Education centre.

g) Mole rat Model



Live mole rat exhibition model is placed at the Lecture Hall and gives information on how the rats live and associate during their day to day lives under the earth surface.

h) The Rinderpest monument.



The monument which was officially opened in December 2010 by President Mwai Kibaki is located near the centre and its going to be a an education Teaching aid on wildlife/Livestock diseases