

BRIDGE SELECTED AS GOVERNMENT PARTNER TO PILOT NEW KENYAN CURRICULUM

- Inclusion in flagship initiative cements Bridge's role as Government partner in education delivery

Bridge Kinna has been selected by the Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development and the Kenyan Ministry of Education to take part in the curriculum pilot which will start later this week. The Kenyan education system will be adopting a new curriculum in the next few months, moving away from an old system that has been widely criticized.

The Kinna academy is one of 48 Bridge schools located in North Eastern Kenya, in Isiolo county, bordering Mandera, an area that suffers from conflict and is home to terrorist groups. The academy's selection as part of the flagship pilot is yet further demonstration of Bridge's key role as an education partner to the Kenyan Government.

Bridge Kinna Academy Manager, Hassan Halakhe said, "It is really a privilege for our school to have been selected to pilot the new curriculum in Isiolo county. We look forward to working as part of a successful pilot which will continue to further strengthen our relationship with the Kenyan government."

The academy opened in 2014 and has nearly 350 primary school pupils. Its first cohort will sit the KCPE exam in 2017 and the Bridge is confident it will replicate the success of other academies in previous years. In 2015, pupils achieved an average of 63% compared to a national average of 49%. In 2016, Bridge pupils scored 10% higher than the national average.

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Notes to Editors.

Bridge staff, teachers and parents are available for interviews

About Bridge Kinna

Bridge Kinna opened in September 2014.

The Kinna academy has 348 pupils and was selected among 48 schools in the area to pilot the new curriculum. Kinna is in Isiolo County, which according to USAID data has a population of over 100K with a literacy level of 59.8% and a poverty level of 72.6% of its total population.

The academy will sit the KCPE for the first time in 2017.

[Link to Uwezo Report 2016](#)

About Bridge International Academies:

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Bridge leverages in-depth teacher training and support, advanced lesson plans and wireless technology to provide pupils with a meaningful and life-changing education.

Globally, there is an education crisis. Around 263 million children and young people are not in school and the number of primary school aged children not in school is increasing. Bridge is committed to helping tackle this through a data driven, evidence based approach that is delivers strong schools and a great education for all.

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