# SCHOOL AND MADARIS FEEDING PROGRAMS TERM 2 2024





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In communities where food insecurity is a persistent challenge, access to nutritious meals is essential for the well-being and educational success of children. At Bilal Muslim Mission of Kenya, we have sustained our commitment to providing vital nutritional support to students in Madaris and pre-primary schools with generous backing from our long-standing partners. The programs ensured that children received the nourishment needed to concentrate on their studies and thrive both academically and physically during the second academic term of 2024.

# Fill My Cup

For many children, the cup of porridge provided by the Fill My Cup program was their first meal of the day. This initiative played a vital role in enhancing the health and well-being of students across 15 Bilal centers. Nutritious millet porridge was served, packed with essential nutrients like vitamins, minerals, and fiber. This meal supported the children's growth, boosted their concentration, and provided lasting energy, addressing immediate hunger and contributing to their overall physical and cognitive development. Total number of beneficiaries was 3,614.



Porridge served at Al- Mahdi Centre in Burani



# Fill My Cup at Madaris

- Dates: 29th April to 2nd August (during the school term) and 3rd August to 17th August (during the school holidays).
- Frequency: twice a week on weekends during the school term; daily during the school holidays.
- Beneficiaries: **2,831** students.



Children enjoying their cup of porridge at Ar-Ridha Madrassa in Mtongwe

# Fill My Cup at pre-primary schools

- Dates: 29th April to 2nd August.
- Frequency: Five days a week.
- Beneficiaries: 783 pre-primary students.

### To Those Who Care For Dignity



A filled cup brings happiness to a young learner at Al-Baqir pre-primary in Mwasafu



Porridge being cooked at Ahlulbayt centre in Moyeni

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school children sit down for their break at Ahlulbayt centre in Moyeni

# **Lunch Program for Madaris**

Balanced meals of rice, green grams, and beans were cooked at the centres and provided to children attending madaris once a week. At Bilal centres, these meals were offered throughout the term, while at independent centres, they were provided over a span of three weeks. Altogether, the program reached 3,723 students.

### Lunch at Bilal centres

During the second term of 2024, lunches were provided once a week at all Bilal centres Madaris. This initiative, which ran from the 4th of May to the 4th of August, benefited **2,831** students.

# Lunch at Independent centres

The program also extended to 7 independent centres, where it ran for three weeks. At these centres, lunch was provided once a week, with schedules varying by location. A total of **892** students benefited from these meals.

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madrassa children in Mtongwe are grateful for their lunch



Lunch platters ready at Ahlulbayt madrassa in Shimoni

## **Impact and Appreciation**

The feeding programs were successfully implemented, providing balanced meals to thousands of students at both Bilal and independent centres. Each cup filled and each lunch plate served helped sustain the students, giving them the strength and nourishment needed to fully engage with their educational journey. We remain committed to fostering a supportive educational environment for children in rural Kenya with invaluable support from our donors and well-wishers.

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