

KEJORA Newsletter

April 2026



Ramadan at Kejora! A Month of Meaningful Moments

As Ramadan arrived, Kejora was filled with moments of reflection, warmth, and togetherness. Throughout this special month, our children, families, and team shared many meaningful experiences.

The children learned about the holy month and took part in a joyful neighborhood parade, proudly wearing crowns they had decorated themselves.

This spirit of togetherness continued during a special iftar evening with the parents. Iftar is the meal at sunset when people break their fast during Ramadan. The children gave small performances, creating a warm and memorable moment for everyone present.



Ramadan also brought opportunities to strengthen our connection with the local community, as our team shared takjil (special Ramadan snacks) with the people of Karimunjawa. Our SPS students also shared small gifts with other children, spreading kindness and joy throughout the community.

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A Shared Journey with Sahabat Kejora

Sahabat Kejora is our newest Kejora program. The name means Friends of Kejora, a beautiful reflection of this initiative, which aims to build strong connections with other preschools and reach a wider community in Karimunjawa. Through this program, we hope to support other local schools and work together to improve the quality of education across the island. Schools were invited to apply for a donation of up to IDR 5,000,000 (approximately €257) per school. Part of this fund has been generously contributed by Michel, Anke, and Olivier, who strongly believe in giving back to the wider community.

These contributions are not given as cash, but as valuable educational resources such as laptops, tablets, books, educational toys, outdoor play equipment, sports materials, or improvements to school facilities and maintenance. Each school could choose what they need most. In the photos below, Tono (Chairman) and Sudar (Head of Public Relations) are presenting this wonderful project to the participating schools.

We are happy to share that 11 schools have applied with inspiring and thoughtful proposals. At the moment, we are carefully reviewing all applications, and in the coming weeks we will begin implementing the donations. We look forward to sharing more updates with you in our next newsletter.



Kejora Library Now Open to the Entire Community

Thanks to the support of the AFAS Foundation, we opened our library in 2024 for Kejora students. In February, we proudly expanded access and opened the Kejora Public Library to the entire community, creating a warm and welcoming space for learning, discovery, and connection on the island.

Every Sunday morning, our students, along with their parents, friends, families, and neighbours, are welcome to visit the library, choose their favourite book, and enjoy reading together. We also organize reading sessions to make the experience even more engaging. At the end of each visit, visitors can borrow one book to take home and return it the following week.

We hope the Kejora Public Library will continue to grow into a meaningful place where stories are explored, curiosity is nurtured, and the community comes together through the joy of reading.

Kejora is always looking for book donations, especially English-language books for both children and adults. If you have books you would like to donate, please let us know. We also have collection points in the Netherlands and England.



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Growing Stronger Behind the Scenes



Thanks to our strategic and financial partner, Olijslager Impact Fund, we began improving our Kejora Basecamp facilities in January.

Eddy, our Head of Infrastructure, has been working enthusiastically behind the scenes together with our educational team to design and upgrade the school environment.

From practical improvements such as a paved entrance road and parking area to a rainwater drainage system and a septic tank for the toilets, many important steps have been taken. Walking paths have also been created across the school grounds, ensuring that children no longer slip in muddy conditions during the rainy season.

At the same time, the basecamp has become greener and more beautiful with the planting of grass, mango and guava trees, and other plants. Our SPS students proudly contributed by helping to plant the grass and greenery, and by decorating the pathways with stones. We are proud to be creating a safer, greener, and more sustainable school environment.



New Spaces for Play Learning, and Discovery

Thanks to the generous support of the AFAS Foundation, Kejora has been able to strengthen its learning environment with the development of two new classrooms, a sports field, and two playground areas. These facilities are now in use, and we are excited to give you a glimpse of the beautiful result!



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New Energy for KLS with Mr. Aslam

Another exciting step this semester is the growth of Kejora Language School, as we warmly welcome Mr. Aslam as our new English Tutor and Lead Teacher. With his warm and engaging approach, KLS continues to build confidence and practical English skills in a meaningful way. Within just one week, his schedule was fully booked by both adults and children eager to improve their English through group and private classes.

The high number of registrations clearly shows the importance of Kejora Language School for the local community. Due to this strong interest, we have already welcomed an additional teacher who will start in April. In total, Kejora Language School now has 61 students: 22 KLS Kids and 39 KLS Adults. We are grateful for the community's trust and excited to continue growing together.



In this newsletter, we would like to extend a special thank you to Global Dutchies for supporting our SHEnergy Program, which focuses on women's empowerment, and to Josephine for helping us purchase a professional camera so we can capture these special moments even more beautifully. We are also deeply thankful to Mr. Jeffrey and Mr. Lukas for their generous donation of books to support our library, as well as to Sping for donating a world map, and to everyone who has contributed gifts such as puzzles for our classrooms.

For everyone who continues to support Kejora's journey, thank you for being part of this story and for helping Kejora grow with warmth, courage, and heart. Every act of kindness, partnership, and contribution helps us grow with purpose for the children and community of Karimunjawa. If you would like to support us, or know someone who might be interested, please take a moment to [read our Kejora brochure](#).

Thank you for reading!

'Small Steps, Big Impact' you can help us grow from anywhere worldwide!

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