

## Beyond Duty: TNI Soldiers Bring the Light of Education to Papuan Children

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PAPUA- Deep within the heart of Papua, where towering forests embrace the land, a remarkable scene unfolded in **Krepkuri District, Nduga Regency**. In a humble classroom of **SD Rimba ST Aloysius Mumugu**, the spirit of learning burned bright—ignited not by seasoned educators, but by **the dedicated soldiers of Task Force Yonif 733/Masariku**. On **September 21, 2025**, these warriors arrived, not with weapons, but with **books, wisdom, and compassion**.

Dressed in their **camouflage uniforms**, they stood not as enforcers of security, but as **bearers of knowledge**. For two unforgettable hours, **50 young students** sat in awe, absorbing every word about **civic responsibility, love for the homeland, and the essence of Bhinneka Tunggal Ika**.

But this was no ordinary lesson. Beyond the subjects taught, **the soldiers' presence radiated warmth and inspiration**. They weren't just teaching—they were **awakening dreams** in young hearts.

*"We want these children to know that their dreams matter, that they have the same right to succeed as anyone else,"* said one soldier with a gentle smile. *"Education is the foundation of a better future."*

The moment was deeply moving for **Mrs. Sinta, the Principal of Mumugu Elementary School**, who struggled to hold back tears. *"We are immensely grateful to the TNI. Their presence brings hope, motivation, and a renewed spirit to both students and teachers,"* she expressed emotionally.

Meanwhile, **Pangkoops Habema, Maj. Gen. Lucky Avianto**, highlighted the profound impact of this initiative. *"This is not just a ceremonial event; it is a testament to the TNI's unwavering commitment to the community. Our soldiers are not only protectors, but also mentors and friends."*

In the remote corners of Papua, where **education remains a challenge**, these **soldier-teachers stand as a beacon of hope**. Their efforts go beyond duty, touching not only young minds but **the very soul of the nation**.

*"They are the silent heroes of education—selflessly planting the seeds of knowledge, so that one day, these children will rise and lead."*, Pangkoops Habema concluded.

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