



Summer Newsletter 2012

Investing in education



Children at Juba Road Primary School in Northern Uganda at their Certificate Award Day in May 2012

Dear Friend

Welcome to our Summer newsletter. Since our last publication, we have been incredibly busy completing works at Juba Road Primary School in Uganda and overseeing a hugely successful Certificate Award Day.

We've sought out new schools in Uganda and Zambia that are in desperate need of support, for example Lutuk Community School in Uganda has no trained teachers, no desks or learning equipment and no stable classroom structure. With your help we hope to vastly improve this situation.

Please remember that all of the successes of African Revival are only made possible due to you, and so on behalf of all of the children, thank you for your support.

Update from Uganda

Girls Sanitation Project implemented at Akanyo Primary School

Following discussions with girls at our schools, we have designed a new project focusing on their needs. Girls outnumber boys in the lower classes but once they start puberty, the lack of sanitary facilities at schools causes low attendance and can lead to the girls dropping out completely and so boys outnumber the girls in the upper classes.

For these reasons, we have started to construct simple girls changing and wash room facilities coupled with workshops from healthcare professionals, touching upon puberty, marriage and handling their monthly periods.



Girls receiving their AFRI-pads



Girls attending a healthcare workshop

At Akanyo Primary School the girls changing and wash room facility is now built and being used. Trained facilitators held a workshop attended by 180 girls giving them guidance on the transformation that their bodies will go through once they enter puberty.

The session was hugely successful and was followed up by a session with the boys from the upper classes to make them understand what problems girls face. It also allowed for a discussion on relationships.

We are sure this will be a turning point for Akanyo Primary School.

Wash Room facilities are completed at Juba Road Primary School

We're delighted to let you know that we've been able to complete a number of construction projects at Juba Road over the last couple of months. This includes the construction of a girls changing and wash room facility which will increase attendance and the academic performance for the girls.

We've also completed the installation of a water harvesting tank which enables rain water from the classroom block to be collected and stored in a massive 10,000 litre tank, giving the children and staff access to clean, safe water.

In May 2012 we also implemented the school's first ever Certificate Award Day which brought the parents to the school to see their children receive small rewards such as books and pens in honour of such achievements as hard work, academic performance and skills in athletics. This day brought everyone together and it was fantastic to see parents rally around to support their children.

Update from Zambia

Our team in Africa are continually looking for new schools who are in need of help and here are details of a few of those in greatest need.



Pupils at Mulwazi Basic School

Mulwazi Basic School

We have previously worked with this school in 2011 when we drilled a borehole. However, the school is still facing several challenges. In the coming months we're fundraising for the completion of a classroom block with furniture, a teacher house and sufficient toilets. This will allow for the school to cater for the 450+ pupils who are currently enrolled.

Siamwaamvwa Community School

This is one of the new schools that we will be working with in the future. It is located in a very remote location yet it serves over 600 pupils. The school is in dire need of support. The most pressing need is the lack of classrooms as the existing building is only partially roofed. They need furniture as they only have 20 desks for 600 pupils and the school has almost no teaching materials.

Another challenge is there is no dedicated water source so the pupils currently have to walk to a stream about 1.5km away from the school. Drilling a borehole will make a huge difference to the pupils. They will be able to stay in their classes and their concentration levels will not be hampered by dehydration.

With your help, we aim to support the school with functioning buildings, along with enough double-seater desks for everyone and provide teaching and learning materials. We also aim to construct a borehole to ensure the school has safe, reliable and clean water for drinking and hand washing.



The only classroom block at Siamwaamvwa

Discover Uganda! Our Bike Challenge is taking place in Uganda in February 2013. This will be a truly unforgettable adventure and will let you witness at first hand the work that you support.

For an information pack please contact Mandy: mandy@africanrevival.org tel: 020 8939 3983

New Project in Uganda

Lutuk Community School

This school caters for more than 250 pupils in a remote area of Uganda. They are currently teaching the children in a long wooden structure with a grass thatched roof, with no desks, teaching or learning materials. They only have pit latrines and no water source close to the school.

In the coming months we want to build and equip a classroom block, drill a borehole and give them proper toilets.



Children inside the classroom



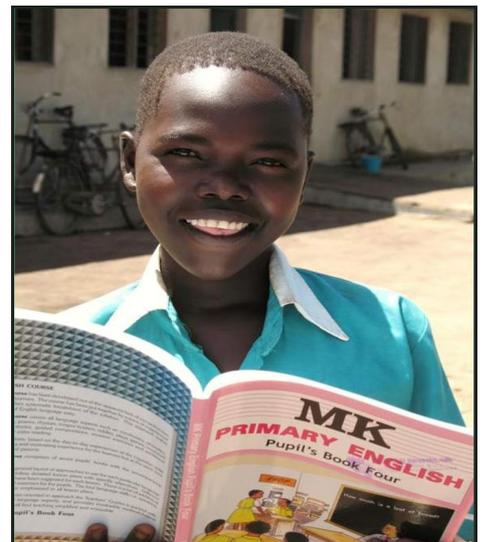
Grass thatched classroom

Could you leave a Legacy?

Making a Will is your chance to let your family, friends and favourite charities know how much you care for them. It also allows you to be in control of exactly what happens to all your possessions and a gift in your Will means that you can continue to help those after you have gone.

If you feel you are able, you may like to consider leaving a gift to African Revival which would really make a difference to the children in Africa.

Please feel free to contact us, with no obligation, and we have produced a free booklet that gives you all the information you need.



We hope you have enjoyed this edition of our Newsletter. If you are interested in finding out more about our events or projects, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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