

Newsletter May 08



Greetings to all our sponsors supporters and friends

TEN YEARS AND STILL GOING!

Can you believe it – we are Ten years old this year. During this time we have looked after and supported over 100 children and young people.

Over the year we are holding different events to celebrate. The first one will be on the 14th June at Kanyawegi when we are planning a big celebration party. Peter Skinner the Chairman of the UK committee will be attending alongside a number of local dignitaries and friends. During the day there will be presentations of awards and gifts to staff and children who have done particularly well. The day should include lots of music, dancing and food!!!

Hopefully later this year, the Chair and Assistant Chair of the Kenyan board; Longinus and Baluma will be visiting England to join us at a Tenth Anniversary Celebration. More information will follow.

Football

Our children LOVE their football, both watching- (they love the English Premiership!) or playing it. In the past we have had two really successful teams, however currently many of the children are just playing in various local teams. There is a local youth league, which we may enter next year, so we are looking for sponsors for team kit and entrance fees. If anyone would like to help please contact Doreen.

BUILDING WORKS

We strive to ensure the buildings are kept to a good standard. Recently on the advice of the children's department we have had new windows constructed in the girls dormitory, which replaced the smaller air vents that had been there. This has made a terrific difference to the room by letting in so much more light. The girls are very pleased!

REGISTRATION

The local Children's Department have given us a great birthday present- We have finally received our official registration certificate. This has come after lots of hard work from our staff and the children in order to get the running of the home, the building and compound to a good standard. Well done everybody!

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

While the children are at Kanyawegi we put them through school and college or training so that in the end they have the skills to get a job and support themselves. We are therefore very proud of all of their achievements;

Brian completed his secondary education last year. He gained A grades in all subjects and came within the top 10% in the whole country. He will be starting his medical training in Nairobi in September this year. Caroline is currently doing a Business Studies and Management diploma. She will hopefully be going to University next year. Victor is training as a Laboratory Technician at MTC in Kitui. While Aaron is training to be a nurse in Nyabondo. Eric will shortly be starting an accountancy course in Kisumu and Helen is about to start a secretarial course.



We have several young people in Training Programmes at local Polytechnics on courses; such as hairdressing, catering, dressmaking, mechanics and welding. Beatrice will be coming to the end of her course later this year and will be encouraged to use her training to support herself.

We have a few children who are living back in their local areas carrying out apprenticeship training.



We have 21 Children currently in their secondary education. Doreen, Nancy, Perez and Geoffrey are in their final year (Form 4) and are currently making plans for their future. They take their final exams KCSE in November

The rest of our children are in the two local Primary Schools- Kotetni and Kodiaga Primary Schools.

We rely on sponsorship and gifts to run the home, so if you would like to support us or receive more information about children who need sponsorship, please contact Mrs Doreen Moxham ☎ 01761 437256