

SEED

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SEED (Charity number: 1101166) aims to:

- Provide education, board and lodgings for as long as each student is able to stay in secondary and tertiary education and offer vocational training if appropriate.
- Keep administrative costs down to an absolute minimum by using internet correspondence and volunteer workers to run the charity wherever possible.
- Improve opportunities for sustainable school development
- Facilitate correspondence between sponsors and students to enable friendships to prosper and bridge the cultural gap.

Dates for your diary

A Safari Supper will be held to raise funds for SEED on 21st May. If you would like to be involved, please contact Mike Cresswell on 01885483964 /mike.cresswell@virgin.net or Julie Jenkins at julieann.jenkins@btinternet.com

Our next AGM will be held on Friday 3rd February 2017 at 7pm. We would love to welcome you to the meeting. If you would like details of where to meet please phone Emma on 07767 411284

We are always very grateful for donations for prizes for our bingo and fundraising evenings, as this helps us to raise even more on the night.

For more information about events please call Emma on 07767 411284

We would like to thank the following fund raisers:

Highworth Warneford school for raising the amazing sum of £928.08

Runcorn Crafters coffee morning £235

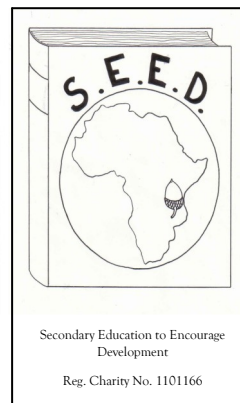
Bromyard Christmas Card Scheme £120

Holy Trinity Church, Worcester £150

Bromyard Monday Fellowship group £70

A very generous bequest of £1,000

If you have fund raising ideas for SEED please do let us know!



SEED Newsletter

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A word from the chairman....

WELCOME TO THE TEAM JAPHET!

After a great start to working for us as a temporary Programme manager, Japhet has now become a full time employee for SEED based in Iringa. I hope you will enjoy reading more about his work on P3. I would like to thank Jo D'Arcy and her team in Iringa for their support of Japhet's interview process.

Japhet has been a wonderful addition to the SEED team with his personal understanding of what it is like to be supported by SEED and the difficulties faced by children from the rural villages.

Thank you to all the sponsors who have been writing to their students—this has been greatly appreciated.

Emma Stapley

News just in:

CONGRATULATIONS to Japhet, Rehema and big brother Emanuel on the birth of Diana Mbwilo 13/5/16

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Celebrating new job with Jo D'Arcy and

Government support for Secondary Schools

Since the last newsletter the recently re-elected Tanzanian government has announced that is not asking for fees for secondary education from January 2016.

This is great news for all those near to a secondary school as they will have their fees paid but just need to find money for uniform, stationery and bus fares.

Sadly it won't really change things for those who live further away, like all our students do, as they still need all their boarding fees, but at least it is a step in the right direction.

On page two we have a list of items that we provide for our students. The boarding fees are on average, approximately £135 per student. This covers boarding, food, health insurance, desk hire and ID card. See other costs over leaf.

Christmas raffle for SEED raises much needed funds

A Raffle for Christmas 2015 raised £506. The first prize was a superb Christmas Hamper with basket included and luxury products worth in excess of £100. Other prizes included Champagne, Plants to the value of £25, a Christmas Cake and Toiletries. All prizes were the result of generous donations from local businesses and SEED Committee members. The Raffle was drawn at The Falcon Hotel, Bromyard on Friday, 18th December 2015. Prizewinners ranged from very local residents in Bromyard to Worcester and as far as Liverpool.

Speaking of events our next is the SEED Safari Supper on Saturday, 21st May 2016. Three luxury courses will be served and pairs of guests will rotate to different homes for each course and then meet up at The Falcon Mews, Bromyard for tea and coffee and an Auction of Promises.

We are always very grateful for any donations towards events whether they are gifts, promises, cash, or giving us a hand at any time. We are currently keen to receive donations for a Raffle later on in the year. Many thanks for your support,

Chris, Mike and Julie (*Fund Raising Committee*)

What we provide for our students

The following is a list of items paid for both by sponsors and supporters with approximate costs

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| 1. Hostel fees | 8. Uniform - shirts, trousers and jumper £18 | 16. PE clothes including tracksuit £6 |
| 2. Caution money | 9. Stationary: pens, pencils, paper, ruler, eraser £5 | 17. Shoes £7 |
| 3. Examination fees | 10. Counter books for each subject £4.50 | 18. Mosquito net £4 |
| 4. Health insurance | 11. Mattress £12 | 19. Vaseline £3 |
| 5. ID card | 12. Blanket £5 | 20. Soap £3 |
| 6. Desk hire | 13. Bed sheets £5 | 21. Sanitary wear 2 or 3 times per year for girls £10 |
| 7. Pocket money three times a year £10 | 14. Pillow & case £5 | 22. Safety box and 2 padlocks £7 |
| | 15. School bags £7 | 23. T-shirt £5 |

Extracts from Japhet's reports

In addition to almost daily e-mails, Japhet writes a weekly report of all the activities he has done for SEED. These are some of the extracts from those weekly reports.....

February 2016 "The first and second week of this month it was the week for doing shopping of school students requirements, those requirements include, mattress, soap, Vaseline, counter book, mosquito nets, pen, pencils, sanitary ware, blankets, sheets, safety box, padlocks and pillow case "

"...also I have managed to meet with Jackson Kilelii from Makifu(SEED will support him at) Ruaha college."

"This week I have managed to visit TABEZ college at Mafinga town to see how Shani Kingliyepi is going on with her studies. Mafinga is located in the southern part of Iringa region and is about 75 km from Iringa town; it taking me one hour to reach there. Mafinga is popular town for timber and tea business, 80% of all industries which found on that centre they are dealing with tea and timber product.



At TABEZ everything is ok and Shani with other students and teachers were happy to meet with me but also myself I was happy to visit that college as it was my first time."



March 2016 "One student from Idodi Secondary School Isack Mahenge was suffering eye problems and he was needed glasses, glad that SEED managed to provide him glasses."

"With Kalenga, everything is ok. The school has been requesting SEED to support bunk beds as the school is running short of beds. They are facing challenges on how to accommodate the number of students at the hostel as they have very few bunk beds to such an extent that two students share the single bed which is not allowed by ministry of Education. Kalenga is a community secondary school.....the community is supposed to put in place a satisfactory number of bunk beds to meet the demands of the students however they can't afford enough." J Mbwilo

