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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 education
- keep administrative costs down to an absolute minimum by using internet correspondence and volunteer workers to run the charity wherever possible
- send money directly to local schools' accounts ensuring funds do not get 'lost' in the system
- 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

We will be holding a talk and sale later in the year.

This will be about what the charity is currently doing and the views and pictures from the recent visit to Iringa.

Date and venue to be confirmed.

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

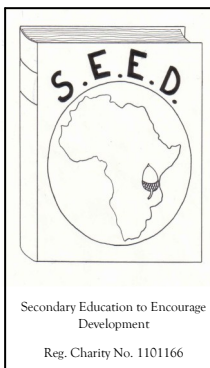
SEED AGM

You are all very welcome to join us for our annual general meeting on

SATURDAY 2nd FEBRUARY 2013

Venue to be arranged in Bromyard at 3pm

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



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SEED Newsletter

Secondary Education to Encourage Development

A word from the chairman....

Apologies for the rather late newsletter this year....it has been a very busy start to the year both in Iringa and Bromyard. As you will read overleaf Deule has been working extremely hard with all the students and has started new projects such as the Entrepreneurship scheme.

We are also very grateful to the UK team who have just returned from Iringa and written a useful report on all they have seen.

Life in Bromyard has also had a fantastic start to the 2012 with the arrival of Samuel James Stapley who made a rather early entrance to the world on 31st January.

Emma Stapley

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Fabulous Fund-Raising

St Thomas Leesfield Church of England Primary School, Oldham

Recently David and I were invited to go to St Thomas's School to see how the pupils were raising money for SEED. They have a Groundbreakers group of about thirty five children who have their meetings at lunchtime. Mrs Butt, who runs the group, gave each member £1 and asked them to think of ideas to make it grow!



Children trying on Tanzanian costumes.

The response was amazing, with so many bright ideas of what to make to sell in the school hall during break times. Other pupils wanted to join in too, so when we visited, the hall was full of excited children with tables full of the items they had made. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm, and to answer questions about SEED. They have raised well over £800 so far, with another event yet to happen. This is an amazing amount for a small primary school to achieve, and we thank the staff, children, parents and friends very much indeed for all the effort which has gone in to this event.

David and Rosemary Brice (Joint Treasurers)





Race night

I would like to thank everyone who was involved in the Race Night fund-raising event in February. It was a fantastic success, raising well over £800 making it one of our biggest ever fund raising nights.

This was an especially great effort on a cold winter's night when I had dropped a few gallant volunteers in at the deep end as I was taken to hospital to have Samuel!

As always The Falcon Hotel provided a wonderful buffet and a great venue.



Deule presenting the bunk beds to District Education Officer.

May visit to Iringa



Last month a group from the UK visited Iringa to witness the work of SEED in the schools and colleges. It was a wonderfully varied team comprising many different talents and experiences.

Dawn Hyett, Fran Binding, Nia Binding and Marian Bailey stayed in Iringa for 10 days and visited the 3 main schools, VETA college and met with students in town.

Their experiences and further photos will be shared in the next newsletter and through a couple of talks during this year.

Their trip to Iringa has helped to fuel enthusiasm in both the staff and students, as well as to bring fresh eyes and ideas to the projects. It is with many thanks that we received their comprehensive reports on all they saw and heard during their visit. I am also delighted that they also felt they personally gained a lot from the trip.



Extracts from Deule's reports

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

February: "This has been the week for visiting schools to provide pocket money to the students, I provided t-shirts as well as follow up to those missed letters and photos as well, students were so happy to receive pocket money and t shirts with seed logo and vision of the seed as GIVE A CHILD A BRIGHTER FUTURE." "Form two national examination results have been released to all schools, and good news is that almost all our students have good performance, this creates a good picture for when they reach form four they will have good results."

March: "It was the day of handing over the bunk beds at Kalenga secondary school [donated by Heswall Rotary Club], government officers were there including Madam Devota Luwungo (District Education Officer), ward representative (chancellor) Mr. Timaigwe, ward education coordinator Mr. Mavanza as well as Mr. Mlilapi the Head Master of Kalenga secondary. I invited journalists from Country FM radio and Kwanza Jamii magazine (Society First) so it was publicized on the radio and it will appear in the national magazine. All officers had an interview from a journalist, they really appreciated this and gave a lot of thanks to SEED charity ... for the development of education in rural Tanzania."

"...visiting secondary schools to provide SEED forms to new selected students, provide mosquito nets to all students as well as pocket money, mosquito nets and t-shirts to new students."

"...visited book shops to purchase books, initially we intended to have 60 books for 6 subjects that was ratio of 1 book to 3 students. The good news is that money was good enough to purchase 100 books and I purchased 7 different subjects so students will have many books. I made a trip to schools aimed to provide these text books and to start my program of entrepreneurship."

April: "It was Kiwere school visit where I conducted the entrepreneurship programme basically it was introduction part and basic concepts in entrepreneurship, students liked it so much as they raised so many questions. At last I met with form one, two and three we discussed letter writing then I provide books to form four."

May: "It was the day for visiting the optician, several shops and we also went to the tailors for making trousers for two students. On Tuesday Idodi students came as we went for eyes test and buying glasses, buying dictionaries, exercise books and those needs asked by the students during our visit including mattresses for some Kalenga students. Thanks I have managed to buy those needed things."



Kiwere students with mosquito nets.

Deule Jamhuri SEED Programme Manager

