



The Mityana Charity

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Mityana Charity wish you a very Happy and healthy New Year and thank you for your generous donations to those who are less fortunate than us.

Hugh Wakeling's visit

New Buildings at Nabukenya Primary School

Hugh Wakeling was in Uganda at the beginning of November and was able to inspect the new buildings when two of the buildings were complete, apart from needing to be painted, and the new dormitory was being finished off with the walls being plastered.



The Nursery Unit.

This is perhaps the largest building project the Charity has ever undertaken, and it has taken slightly longer than expected mainly because of very heavy rains during a critical stage in the construction process, but partly because the contractor seemed to have under-estimated the size of the project.

The next stage involves the fitting out of the new buildings with furniture and fittings, and we wish to thank those who have donated money and toys for the Nursery and money for the equipment for washrooms and bunk beds etc for the dormitories. The response for our appeal for suitable toys such as Lego and jigsaws was really generous and we were able to supplement these by using the donated money to buy more picture books, musical instruments, toy trucks and plastic crockery for water and sand play. These came from very generous charity shops.

Patience Primary School

Due to the money raised by a supporter in Devon, we are now hoping to provide two new classrooms for this relatively new school. At the same time we have discovered that their latrines are very nearly full, so we have applied for a grant to provide them with new latrines. Donations towards the new classrooms would be welcome as the classrooms may cost us a bit more than the money raised so far.



Patience school temporary classrooms

Water Projects

Hugh Wakeling was able to visit No1 Bore Hole which is now operating again after we paid for some repairs.



He also visited the new water tank at Buwaata Clinic, which had been donated by the parish of Finchampstead and California. During the next 12 months we are hoping to be able to provide a bore hole at Mpirigwa Primary School. We hope to provide water tanks at Trio Primary School and Afinnet Vocation School, as well as providing a tank at the new Nursery Building at Nabukenya Primary School, and maybe at the new Dormitory Building. How much we can do will depend entirely on the donations that we receive, so please support our water projects, and help us to provide clean drinking water to as many people

St Mary's School for the Deaf

Many of you who have visited Mityana will have been to visit St Mary's School for the Deaf. Someone who remembers paying them a visit, has made a quite large donation to the school, and the Charity is helping the school to use this money to connect them to the electricity supply, and to have the rooms in the school wired up for electric light. As the school is surrounded by other buildings which have electricity, it is about time that they were connected to the supply!

Kasoolo Secondary School

Kasoolo Secondary School is at a remote location about 90 miles north of Mityana. The school has only been open for three years, but this November they have 31 students sitting O Level Exams. Gifts sent through the Charity a year ago have meant that they now have 20 computers in a secure computer room, powered by solar panels. Many of these secondary school children had never seen a computer before!



The challenge is that the school now want to help these students to study for A Levels, but they have run out of classrooms. A recent attempt to apply for a grant to build classrooms was turned down. If anyone would like to make a gift towards these new classrooms, that would be great. They also need staff accommodation and some dormitories, if the school is to develop and prosper! There is also a plan to build a Health Clinic in the grounds of Kasoolo School. A grant has been applied for this clinic as it is in a remote but key location.

Grateful thanks to BA who gave Orange House, Wellington College, extra baggage allowance to take these out for us.

I would love to see the children's faces when they first play with all this! It will be quite beyond their experience. We have also sent out as requested money for water play tables and basins, blackboards, cloth wall-display supports, and small tables and chairs for all the 35 children in each of the two nursery classes. We are assured that there is room left for them to play on the floor. They think it very odd that our nursery children sit on the floor! This has been a big expense and has left us with very little to buy cupboards and boxes for storage or a sandbox.

If anyone would like to contribute some money for these we would be grateful.

Improvements at Myanzi Prison

When I visited Myanzi Prison in October, I was very glad to see that they now have electric light in the prison cell and, and also a flush toilet. The new Prison Governor is doing his best to improve conditions in the prison for his 35 inmates.

He did tell me that he would appreciate it, if we could get him 35 foam mattresses to prevent the prisoners having to sleep straight on the rough concrete floor of the cell. These foam mattresses would cost about £ 10 each, say £ 350 to kit out the prison. Contributions towards the cost of these 35 mattresses would be very welcome!

A plea from our treasurer

We have had several CAF donations into our bank but they never come with a name and so we cannot thank you nor know which project they are for. Can you please email us enquiry@mityanacharity.org if you deposit a CAF cheque or kindly send them to our treasurer?

We are looking at succession planning.

As the committee are mainly retired, we do realise that we need to have younger people who are interested in becoming involved in the charity for its continuation. Please contact us if you are interested in helping Mityana Charity to continue in the years ahead.

Thank you

To Hilden Charitable Trust for their generous donation to the Legal Aid & Prisons Project.

To Allan & Nesta Ferguson Trust to start the pig scheme at Nabukennya primary school. This project is to generate income to support the school in the future. Any other contributions to this project are gratefully received.

To Sophie for providing a hospital trolley for Mityana hospital.



To Kimpton, Thruxton and Fyfield C of E Primary School for providing football shirts and netball bibs to Nabukennya Primary School



To Orange House at Wellington college for their continued support to Nabukennya Primary School



Planting Paspalm

We are collecting money to equip the new nursery classrooms at Nabukennya Primary school and also the new dormitory block.

Sponsorship

A reminder that sponsorship renewal is always due early November. Don't forget to increase your standing orders if your child is transferring to secondary school (after p7) in 2016

Primary £125 and secondary £250

We do have a couple of children whose primary sponsors are stopping funding them so if you know of anyone who could take these children on we would be grateful.

Internship

We are delighted that the Mityana Uganda Charity is encouraging internships and sharing their skills with others.

They were attached to different departments of their interests and are supervised by the relevant project heads. At the completion of their internship they write a report which is approved by the project head and they submit it to their universities. They are also supervised by their University supervisors to ensure they are learning something. So in brief they get engaged in the day - day activities within the department under which they are attached. The previous ones were attached to Sponsorship and administration.

Looking for an unusual present? Look no further

http://mityanacharity.org/donations_gifts.html

Are you a tax payer? If so please complete a gift aid form.

http://mityanacharity.org/form_ga.doc

Interested in leaving Mityana Charity a legacy? Further info

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