

The Mityana Charity

Dedicated to helping the people of Mityana, Uganda

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Date for 2023 AGM

Our AGM will be held on 16th May at St Sebastians Parish Centre. As there are no Covid restrictions we will be able to hold the meeting in person this year and we will also look to provide the ability to join the meeting remotely via Zoom. Further details of the AGM will be sent out as soon as they are available.

Sponsorship renewals

As you have already been informed, **our sponsorship fees are reluctantly increasing for the academic year which starts in January 2024.**

In setting the new fee structure for 2024, the sponsorship team agreed that we should minimise the number of times sponsors are requested to:

- Change their standing for the basic fee (i.e. for tuition, lunches and scholastic materials).
- Make one-off donations (i.e. for entry requirements into S1 and S5 and exam registration for P7, S4 and S6).

As a result, the approach taken was to spread the cost of one-off requirements over a specific educational stage so that the basic fee covers these costs. This means that the only requests for one-off donations will be for boarding fees and expenses in P7.

From January 2024 the basic fees will be:

- N-P7: £300 (£25 per month)
- S1-S4: £420 (£35 per month)
- S5-S6: £480 (£40 per month)

A standing order form can be found by going to "Forms" at <https://www.mityanacharity.org/> and you need to organise this with your own bank. We hope that all sponsors will continue to support their sponsored child/children but if there is a problem please speak to us as soon as possible so that we can seek a new sponsor for your child. Sadly, if a sponsor ceases to support a child, the child will have to drop out of school as we do not have the funds to take over their fees. If you are in this situation a solution could be to share the costs between one or more of your friends so that your sponsored child can continue

with their education. The families are immensely grateful for all you are doing to help their children and the difference sponsorship makes to the whole family.

As a result of the very generous sponsorship arrangements we are able to provide an education for almost 300 children as shown below. We would like to continue and expand the invaluable help that is given to provide a crucial education.

No. of beneficiaries supported in the month of November 2022			
Level of education	Gender		Total
	Male	Female	
Pre- Primary	03	05	08
Primary	73	109	182
Secondary	38	42	80
Tertiary	16	13	29
Total	129	170	299

Christmas Presents

Many of you provided Christmas gifts to families that you are supporting. PaCT extends sincere gratitude to those sponsors that managed bring a smile on the faces of many of the sponsored children who usually never celebrate Christmas like others due to the financial challenges. The donations of Christmas meals meant a lot to the needy families many of which had very little hope for having the much needed special meal on such a special day. 150 students and 18 grandmothers received gifts in the form of food, beddings, clothing, bicycles, animals, solar and money.



Update on our funded Maternity facilities

The Mityana Charity has a proud track record of building and equipping medical facilities. Our partner PaCT monitors the impact of these facilities and has produced the following information on the performance of the facilities during November 2022. These are very tangible benefits from the work the charity does in Uganda.

Name of Facility	Category of services offered and No. of people/children reached			
	Antenatal visits	No. of deliveries	Death during delivery	No. of children vaccinated
Kalangaalo Maternity ward	16	12	00	174
St. Mark Rwamashengero Maternity ward	13	8	00	96
Mpenja Maternity ward	24	18	00	204
Kikandwa Maternity ward	142	26	00	145
Total	195	64	00	619

Menstrual Health Management

Menstrual Hygiene Management remains an issue in Uganda especially for girls at school. Lack of knowledge, lack of facilities, prejudice and a lack of information all help contribute to girls missing education amongst other things. In our last issue we talked about an initiative to help girls make reusable sanitary pads that are cost effective and to construct girl friendly latrines. The Mityana Charity in conjunction with Orange House at Wellington are looking at a multi-faceted approach to continue to address the situation. We hope to be able to announce the rollout of this in future newsletters.

Donations Portal

You can now give to the Mityana Charity through JustGiving. 100% of your donation made through the portal will come to the charity. If you would like to make a donation this way then please click on the following link: [JustGiving](#). You can still donate through all the normal means.

Can you support Yasmin Jenkin's amazing fund raising?

A few years ago Yasmin raised money for the Mityana Charity by running the London Marathon. Next year she is going much further by cycling to Tunisia and her goal is to raise £100,000 which will be split between 3 charities, one of which is the Mityana Charity.

She is looking for anyone interested in riding parts with her on a tandem bike between Maidenhead and Tunisia next year. She will be travelling through 9 countries over four weeks, on a beautiful tandem. Could you help?

She is also looking for sponsors. If you would like to sponsor her

<https://wonderful.org/fundraisers/590#https://wonderful.org/fundraisers/590>

<https://getontheback.com/>



Photos of Work by PaCT



Photos showing the Executive Director together with the community monitoring the progress of the wells under construction



On the top is a waterfiltering system at St. Kizito Ndiraweru and below its is the water filtering system at Kigoma c/u primary school

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