The Mityana Charity

Dedicated to helping the people of Mityana, Uganda

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Sponsorship

Thank you so much for continuing to sponsor your child. Without your sponsorship they would not be able to go to school.

Please ensure you have increased your standing order for November, so we know it's all in place to send the fees for 2024.

Primary £25 a month £300 a year

Secondary £35 a month £420 a year Don't forget to log in to see your child's profile and letters. You can easily reply to them. If you add your email address to your profile, you will be alerted as to new additions.

Also please contact sponsorship@pactug.org for any queries re gifts they might like or any queries re your child.

Schools are regularly visited to check on attendance and children's performance and well-being.

These are sponsored students at Kalangaalo primary school.



Your sponsorship also provides guidance for the children. Here are the adolescent girls at Kalangaalo primary school, with our Sarah, our Education Project Officer, discussing issues.





Harriet, an ex-beneficiary, has been helped by her sponsor with extra support, to help her develop her car parts business. Visits are made to ensure the business plan is working and that monies sent are used correctly.

Home visits are made to check the family home situations, give guidance for child development and behaviour and any other issues regarding their children.





Some children are troublesome, as we know, so counselling is organised for their grandmothers.



These girls are in the Business Incubation Centre (BIC) continuing their tailoring training.

During the school holidays the children have.

Performance review meetings are conducted every term during the holidays to identify reasons why some did not perform to the expected standards, and they are given strategies on how to perform better. Mrs. Esther Kasule the representative from the PaCT board and in charge of the Education Committee, together with the chairperson of Sponsorship Beneficiaries' Committee Rev. George Livingstone Ssekate led the meeting and the theme was "Today's struggle is tomorrow's success". Guardians were encouraged to be supportive of their children so that they improve their performance next term. 93 (57F, 36 M) Participants attended this meeting. The agreed action plan was that Beneficiaries to improve their performance and failure to do so would lead to loss of sponsors.

Counselling and guidance:

We had a meeting where we were able to discuss with 11(07 Female, 04 Male) students and behavioural-related issues and performance.

End of term one parent's meeting; all guardians have a responsibility of supporting their children throughout the different life stages to retain them in school and to ensure that they become responsible citizens in the world. In this, parents were reminded of their roles and responsibilities towards their children. They were advised on how to positively interact with their children especially adolescents so that they all live in peace and harmony. This will further help their children concentrate better and perform well in school. The session was attended by 134 (122F, 12 M) guardians.

Career guidance training for sponsored children; PaCT conducted career guidance training for sponsored beneficiaries during the first term holiday. Participants were grouped into two. The children had a different session from that of the adolescents. The objectives of the training were.

• To increase the student's retention in school and the other focus was Sexual reproductive health for adolescents. The training was conducted by Ms. Nakimbuggwe Winnie, - the Mityana District Adolescent Trainer, and 154 (66 M and 88F) participants attended the training.

To keep the sponsored students occupied during the holiday they continue with their shoe-making sessions at the PaCT office and others learning traditional music and dance.



One of our sponsored boys studying agricultural engineering at Makerere university on his internship

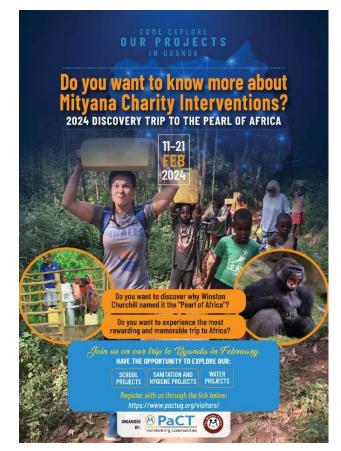


Graduation News

4 of the sponsored students had a graduation party at the PaCT AGM. Their heartfelt thanks go to their sponsors.

Why not visit Mityana!

Jean is leading a group visiting Mityana next February - I promise it will be a life -changing experience for you if you join her!



Gifting - A pig's tale

Look how a gift of a pig makes a difference to 3 people's lives.

A grandma received a gift of one piglet in 2021, and it gave birth to 8 piglets. She brought back two to PaCT and on the right are two sponsorship guardians who received the piglets. A pig costs £36.







PaCt Partnership

PaCT in partnership with schools & Wellington College - Orange House today officially started a project at @St Mugagga secondary school in Kiganda. The project is aimed at improving school attendance, retention and privacy among teenage girls through promoting menstruation hygiene management practices and services in schools. The inception meeting was attended by senior male, senior female, Dean of Students and PaCT staff.







Mityana AGM May 2023

Geoffrey's presentation he gave at the Mityana Charity AGM can be revisited here: <u>https://youtu.be/izNMHgX4QjE</u>

These are now our newly elected Trustees and Committee members for 2023-2024

Trustees Jean Ajin Chair Sarah Birch Secretary Bob Riddaway Treasurer Jenny Penfold Jo Riddaway Helen Thompson Peter Thompson

Committee

Nigel Birch

Abigail Millwood

Can you support Yasmin?

Yasmin is raising £100,000 between 3 charities, one being Mityana Charity. She is riding 2,000 miles with her friends on the back of a tandem bike between Maidenhead and Tunisia, travelling through 9 countries over four weeks. Am sure there are many cyclists here who would like to help.

sponsor herhttps://wonderful.org/fundraisers/590#https://wonderful.org/fundraisers/590



Huawei Golf Challenge

Thank you to Huawei for raising £1,147.85 from their golf day at Wentworth golf club.



Please help me save my life

When you educate a child in Africa, everything changes. They'll be three times less likely to get HIV/AIDS, earn 25 percent more income, and have a smaller, healthier family.



If you are interested in sponsoring a child for just £25 a month (primary) or £35 a month (secondary), please contact Jean Ajin email enquiry@mityanacharity.org

Online sponsorship form https://mityanacharity.org/sponsorship_form_auto.htm

Can you help us finish our community training centre?

Since the purchase of the PaCT Site in Mityana in 2017, completion of the Ajin building has meant that PaCT has its own headquarters with a resource centre for sponsored students, as well as a Business Incubation Centre. It is also relieved of substantial ongoing bills for rent of their previous offices, and this helps put the organisation on a stronger financial footing for the future.

Future plans for the site include a new training building (part built, which will provide a valuable facility for the training provided by PaCT to the community, as well as further contributing to its sustainability into the future through the provision of rental offices for other organisations and rental of the hall for outside functions.

Construction of both buildings was initially started in parallel, but the hall slowed down as funding dried up. The charity funded completion of the external walls up to the concrete ring beam level, to ensure the walls did not deteriorate. So, we have the external walls of the building and are now looking for the best way to complete the building.

The photograph below shows the walls of the hall, with the Ajin Building and the Business Incubation Centre (BIC) to the left, and toilet facilities and a security house to the right.



Donations

Donantions can be made using the following QR code:



Odds and ends

Many congratulations to Dorothea for raising an amazing £3,183 for the Mityana Charity after undertaking a cross channel swim as part of a team of six.. Luckily there were no Nile Crocodiles about!

If you have a fundraising idea or are looking for a charity to support please consider the Mityana Charity when making your decision and have the satisfaction of supporting some of Africa's most needy children and families.

Everyone here and in Uganda thank you for your generosity. Best wishes,

The Trustees

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