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Newsletter

SOME OF OUR SPONSORED PUPILS AT NYAISHOZI PRIMARY SCHOOL

News from the Nyaishozi Trip

We would like to introduce you to Fadhira Omari, just one of the year one pupils from Nyaishozi Primary School to be joining the Action in Africa family. Fadhira, pictured below, is just six years old and was rather bemused by the fuss we were making over her and the five other youngsters.



It costs just £40 per year to support a child in primary school. If you would like to sponsor Fadhira, please go to our website www.actioninafrica.org and follow the education link to Sponsor a Student.

Thanks to the charity Days for Girls UK, we were able to hand carry over 100 feminine hygiene kits for female students at Rugu Secondary School. Nyaishozi Secondary School Matron, Regina Mutelani, took the course, teaching the girls how to look after the kits to ensure that they last for several years.

We would like to thank St. Andrew's School Leatherhead, who funded this initiative.

Feminine hygiene is a sensitive issue in Tanzania and Action in Africa is committed to helping the female students and local ladies access the sanitary products they need to live their lives to the full.





Besides focusing on school schemes, Action in Africa also supports one off health projects and was delighted to be able to present the medical team at Nyaishozi Dispensary (pictured above) a haemoglobin machine. The machine is pictured in the hands of the lab technician, second right.

Life threatening anaemia is a constant concern to Rebecca Didas, the resident midwife, who oversees the maternity wing of the clinic. Pregnant women in the region are particularly susceptible to the condition and Rebecca is confident that the machine will save lives.

We have a long standing relationship with this well run government dispensary and hope to supply the funds for more badly needed medical equipment in the future. ACTION IN AFRICA Issue SUMMER 2019 2

BOREHOLE AT NYAKASIMBI SEC. SCHOOL



Water at last for Nyakasimbi Secondary School!

Nyakasimbi is one of the poorest local secondary schools, but it is also the highest achieving. It provides accommodation for its hardworking male and female students in make shift dormitories, using surplus classrooms.

It may not look much, but the slab of concrete pictured above covers a borehole, which has been expertly drilled to tap into the water table. Action in Africa has contributed to the pipework and water tank necessary to service the temporary dormitories. This is a godsend to the school.

We are also sourcing funds to help the school with the construction of a dormitory for female students.

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Of Tanzanian girls use disposable feminine hygiene products

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It was such a privilege to spend time with the staff and pupils of the local schools and visit the medical teams at the dispensaries. Father Vitalis, pictured left, with former vocational students Naiveth and Efrat, was a great host and was on hand throughout our visit to accompany us to our various projects. We had the most amazing time and hopefully you will enjoy our film, which will be available shortly. Thank you Father Vitalis – Asante Sana!

The Latest News in Ashtead

Action in Africa

Cheese & Wine Evening at
St. Michael's Church Hall
July 4th 7.00pm – 9.00pm.
Please RSVP Tina on
01372 276778,
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com

Action in Africa Quiz Night

Sat. 16th November

St. Michael's Church Hall
7.00pm for 7.30pm
£15 per person to include
lasagne and salad (veg. option

available)

Teams of 6 to 8

Limited tables, please call Carolyn Higgs on 01372 279361 to reserve

Jane goes to the top of the class at the London Marathon!



Action in Africa is so proud of Jane Dunckley, (pictured above) Head of P.E. at St Andrew's Secondary School, who sported the charity emblem at the iconic London Marathon in April.

She says, 'I am absolutely thrilled to have completed the London Marathon 2019 for Action in Africa. It was the most amazing experience and one I will definitely treasure in my life. Overall I raised nearly £4000 for the charity which is absolutely fantastic and know will hugely benefit a number of people in the local community'. Congratulations & thank you so much Jane!