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Newsletter

THE RAINWATER HARVEST TANK AT RUGU SCHOOL (COMPLETED SEPTEMBER 2022)

# Nyaishozi gets back in the swing post Covid 19

At last, life is starting to get back to normal in Nyaishozi, where our first construction project since the pandemic has finally taken place.



Father Hans has spearheaded the first building work since he took over as chairman of Action in Africa Nyaishozi in 2020. With headmistress Adventina and deputy Mr Ambruce project managing the construction of a new rainwater harvest tank at Rugu Secondary School, we knew that that the project was in safe hands. The original application for funding the tank was earmarked for the Tanzania Development Trust, however, their NGO leaving the area meant that the TDT would not provide the funds for the building works. Action in Africa was pleased to be able to step in and support the project, so that it could go ahead without further delay.



Father Hans, pictured above at Rugu Secondary School,I coordinated the purchase and delivery of the building materials, as well as organizing the workforce. We would like to thank him, Adventina and Mr. Ambruce for making this project such a success. We have just heard that the project has been completed.

Rugu has 452 students aged between 13 and 19 years old. Because of the remote location

and the harsh local environment, many of the pupils board, in addition to the teachers staying on campus during the week. Being able to capture the plentiful rainfall and store it is a huge benefit to the school, who otherwise would be sending students to the local well with cannisters and actually going without during the dry season.



# WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR A STUDENT?



Sala Joseph at Nyaishozi Secondary School

Sala Joseph is the latest of our students to take up her studies at Nyaishozi Secondary School – the local private boarding school. It is an expensive choice for Action In Africa to place her there, but it is proven that girls who have come from difficult family backgrounds do very well there and thrive. We can only afford to send her there because Sala has an Ashtead sponsor, but if you would like to support a child through school, please go to our website to explore the different options.

### DID YOU KNOW

Only 3.4%

Of rural Tanzanian schools harvest their rainwater

(URT & UNICEF 2020)

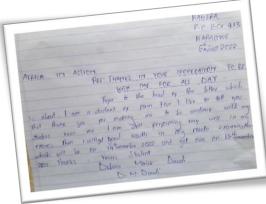
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Debora Elmerick has been a member of the Action in Africa family for several years. She has suffered terribly with malaria and TB, as well as living in desperate circumstances with just her mother to support her. We received this little note the other day from Father Hans. It is a thank you letter from Debora for all our support. Please know that everything you do to help us is very much appreciated.

## **Other News**

# Medical Equipment for Nyaishozi Dispensary

Although the Tanzanian government supports local dispensaries, they are always in need of medical equipment. Rebecca Didas, Nyaishozi midwife and now Action in Africa trustee was delighted that we have been able to fund the purchase of six hospital beds for the Nyaishozi Dispensary maternity ward.



A prototype, pictured above, will be a godsend to the ward, which currently houses only enough beds to accommodate two mothers to be. Rebecca says, 'Babies don't always know the most convenient time to arrive, when there is a free bed, so we need to be ready – extra beds will be a blessing!' Rebecca is pictured below front left, with the medical team at the dispensary



It's been a long time coming, but our first fundraising event since 2019 is finally here!

**ACTION IN AFRICA QUIZ NIGHT** 

Saturday 19th November 2022

7.oopm for a prompt 7.3opm start

St Michael's Church Hall, Ashtead

To include lasagne and salad supper

(Veggie option available)

£17.50 per ticket – ideally teams of 6 to 8 people

Please try and organise a whole team and then contact Carolyn Higgs (Treasurer) on 01372 279361

Strictly limited number of tables available

Please bring your own drinks, glasses and nibbles