



Christmas Newsletter 2019



A very happy Christmas and a healthy New Year to all our supporters.

Student Update

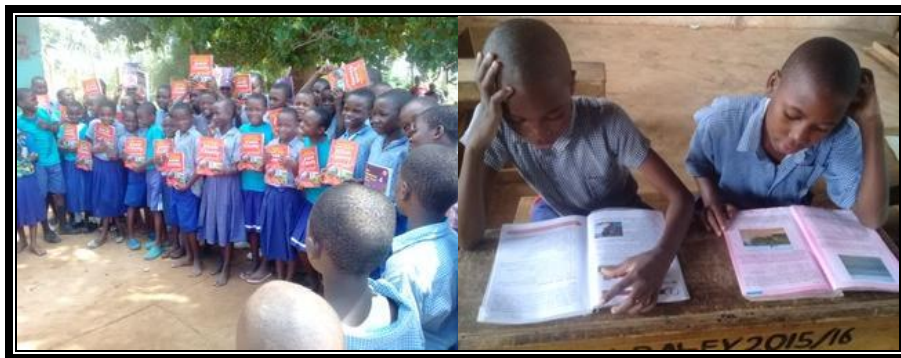
Some of our students are now undertaking further education at University or Teacher Training College. Two students have told us about their experiences during Teaching Practice. Agnus was proud to be called “Teacher Aggy,” her main challenge was that the children mostly used the local Maasai language. However, after two weeks she was graded with a distinction. Another trainee teacher found they were teaching 94 students in a class, a real challenge!

A few university students had work placements in their summer holidays, Doris Chiwai had an attachment at a company called Intex Construction, she sends her grateful thanks to EducAid Africa sponsors who enable her to continue her education. A student now in her fourth year at Kenyatta University had an attachment in the Probation Office in Kilifi with an aim to get skills and experience in the workplace and Margaret had a placement at Compassion International as a social worker.

Gratitude is summed up in this quote, “Education is the best thing that anyone can be offered and I am forever indebted to you.”

Fund Raising from Solihull School Children

Streetsbrook Infant and Early Years Academy held a mini marathon, the proceeds purchased books for African children and it is lovely to have these pictures of the children enjoying their new texts.



Children and Staff at Damson Wood Nursery and Infant School held an Africa day to raise money for EducAid. They took part in a range of exciting activities to help them learn about life in Africa. Linda, one of our trustees spoke to the children about the important work the charity does in Kenya and shared photos and videos of her time visiting schools in the Mombasa area.



Harry Mills Scholarship

The sponsorship in memory of the Reverend Harry Mills our President until his death in 2018 will support a young student, Jane Wamukirrah. It will cover all her fees and board at Jomo Kenyatta University for four years and will include the purchase of a laptop.

Donations

We would like to thank all organisations and individuals who offer their financial support for schools and students in Mombasa with a special mention to St Margaret's Church who have chosen EducAid Africa as their quarterly charity. One grateful student put their feelings into words. "There are a lot of people in society, especially in our area who own big companies and possess a lot of things but none of them was able to help me until a person from far away- in England decided to educate me, a person whom I

had never met. I think you are the people whose footsteps should be followed by many who serve God and who have a concern for others.”

Trustees News

Educaid Africa trustees aim to visit the schools and students we support every two years; this is entirely at their own expense but is considered essential to achieve the appropriate distribution of resources and funds, also to talk to students and schools to enable a clear understanding of their needs. A group of trustees are planning to visit Mombasa in February 2020 and will feedback to all supporters the outcome of our meetings and visits. Our thanks go to Stephen and Jonah who manage the Kenyan side of our charity.

Give as you Live and New Website

Do take a look at our new updated Website. It is also now possible to donate through this site.

Thank you to all who register for Give as you Live. If you haven't already it is not too late. Please help further our funds

There is an opportunity for you to help EducAid Africa at no cost to yourselves if you shop online. Many



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If you have a problem please email us. **Be brave please do it every penny counts!**

Barston Fund Raising Supper

On 9th January 2020 at St Swithins House Barston Solihull there will be a fundraising supper. The cost for this popular event is £15 to include a welcome drink, two course hot meal and entertainment by Alan Piano Smith. Everyone is very welcome to join us by e-mailing info@educaid-africa.org.

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