

BWINDI JUNIOR SCHOOL N E W S L E T T E R

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From the Director





Dear Parents, Friends and supporters, We would like to thank God for the care and enablement, First term for this academic year 2019 began well on the 25th January, 2019 and is ending today 25th April, 2019.

Our school population has been on increase since the school began and we have closed this term with a total of 420 pupils being served by the 20 highly dedicated and self motivated staff (14 teachers,2 house mothers, 2 care givers and 2 support staff) We and our staff continue to work tirelessly to ensure that the orphans and needy children we serve receive quality education and all they deserve to realize their full potential. To the needy we provide them free education and shelter and for the able and sponsored children contribute reduced tuition and there fore we are ran with donations and reduced tuition paid by able parents and sponsors.

We would like to thank each one of you for your generous donations that has enabled us provide for the needs of these children for another term.

ACHIEVEMENTS TERM ONE 2019.

During term one 2019, We have registered remarkable achievements. Areas in which these note worthy were registered are as follows:

1. Construction:

With total support from the Beakley family of USA,



End of term one school news letter

we were able to complete our dream double storied building containing 4 class rooms on the ground floor and are now in use while the upper floor containing 3 class rooms, computer room and the main office is under way.

We also received support from the Snisky family of USA to help complete this structure and we are hopeful it will be finished soon. We are done with the shuttering and plastering, just waiting for funds to do the painting, fixing glasses, tiling, wiring and extending electricity in this same building.

We wish to inaugurate it once it is complete later this year.

We still have more to construct here at the Bwindi junior school premises because our dream by 2025 is to have a multipurpose Bwindi childrens village comprising of several important facilities including the children's clinic, ICT center, and foster home for abandoned and needy children.

To realize this dream we depend on you for more help. Each block will be named after the generous donors who open their heart for the needy children of Bwindi.

Special thanks to you Mr.Deryl Beakley, Morgan Gulbas, Snisky Raymond, Kenneth,Peggy, Jameson,Wedel and friends for the greatest push you have given us in construction of some of the key facilities of the school.

2. School Feeding Program:

Malnutrition is a major challenge among the orphans and needy children we receive and this generally affects on children's academic, health and development.

This term we decided to expand our feeding program to all the 420 children who attend our school. We provide them two nutritious meals daily including breakfast and lunch. Despite the financial constraints, this term we tried to add soya beans, green vegetables, mush rooms, milk, G.nuts, silver fish, eggs, Irish potatoes, matoke and rice on our daily diet. This did put us in a deficit of \$1500 this term which we carried forward as a debt for second term but atleast all our children got a balanced diet unlike before when we were feeding 67 kids only and on posho only.

This has greatly contributed to good health and better performance in exams this term. We hope to continue feeding the children on a balanced diet if resources allow.

Thank you to all those who contributed to our feeding program, Mr. Wedel for chicken project which provided us enough eggs, Deryl, Morgan for mush room project and all the rest who helped us make it possible.

\$1500 can provide nutritious diet for the whole school for a month. Any support towards this is highly appreciated.



3. Easter Party:

With support from the Snisky family, We had a very interesting Easter time in school. A party was organized and all the 420 children received a very special meal including cake, meat, fish, soft drink and many more. All the children ate to their satisfaction while they were celebrating the resurrection of Jesus. After the party we had christian preaching from our Chapel leader teacher Millia and we ended the function with prayers.

We are very grateful to you the Snisky family for making our Easter Sunday colorful

4. Payment of Teaching and Non Teaching Staff Salaries:

With local contributions and tuition paid by able parents and sponsors we were able to pay 80 percent of the staff salaries.

For the difference is carried forward as a debt for second team. Our prayer is that we be able to pay 100 percent salaries next term.

5. Website and Paypal Account;

With support from our friends from America, our website is under reconstruction. Soon we shall have a new modern running website. We are in the process of registering the pay pal account which we

shall avail our website in order to ease the life of our donors to send us money.

PRIORITIES 2019.

1. Kit-A-Kid:

Term one 2019 was a bit challenging as we received a number of children who missed school due to lack of educational materials such as school uniform, shoes, exercise books, sanitary needs and other school basic needs.

It came into our mind that we use any possible means to fund raise for such needs because they seriously affect the teaching/learning process.

With support from friends and well wishers we plan to provide new school uniforms and other school basic needs to all needy children in our community.

To provide a kit of required scholastic needs and uniform we need at least usd \$25 per child. please feel free to donate towards this, you may provide a chance to a deprived and needy child not to miss school.

2. School Van:

The project of a school van has been on our wish list for a long time and still it is on our top most needs



though we have failed to attract funding for it.

We need it for picking up and dropping off children from distant places. Some walk a distance of up to 7 kilometers to and from home daily, others are rode on bodabodas and this is risky as we have registered many cases of accidents on the way and as of now we have a girl called Favour 7years old, a primary two pupil who got an accident Tuesday last week and lost all her teeth and is still now on sick bed. This is regrettable but we have nothing to do. It is our prayer that we attract funding for this important project for the safety of our children.

3. Fencing the School:

The road by the side of our school is getting busier and our children's safety is not guaranteed without a perimeter fence. We have heard registered cases of abductions in the neighbor hood and we feel that if we fence our school our children will be on a safer side.

education, fundraising, marketing, health care, food preparation, feeding children, gardening and farming etc.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

1.We plan to initiate free cooking lessons and provide education on proper nutrition, hygiene, reproductive health and family planning for parents, carers and non schooling youth and adults using the newly established class rooms during school holidays.

2.We need to attract more education sponsors as some of our children will be joining secondary education next year and we don't have our own private secondary school to provide free education to the orphans and needy children like we do with our private school.

Finally, we thank you very much for your love, care and support. We are looking forward to continued partnerships in the coming term and this year 2019. Warm greetings,

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS AND PARTNERSHIPS:

Bwindi Eco children Uganda welcomes any willing supporters in any field to partner with us in caring for orphans and needy children.

Also visitors and volunteers who want to do some thing to help the needy are highly welcome.

In case you know any institution that offers volunteers or individuals willing to volunteer with children, please recommend them to us.

There are many areas where they can help including teaching in a class room, caching a sport, training music, painting, construction, building, maintenance, food preparation, conservation

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