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NSOBE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Transforming lives through quality education and girl child empowerment



Rare! Computers in a remote Primary school

Teacher Aid is a small charity based in Cardiff, UK. Our mission is to help alleviate poverty, provide opportunity and encourage equality in rural Zambia. We are proving this can be done through a complete quality education with sound management, dedicated teachers, and a caring learning environment. Teachers are selected from disadvantaged backgrounds and most have struggled against all odds to put themselves through college. They are passionate about making a difference, acting as counsellors and role models to their pupils, and showing what can be possible with hard work and an education. This strong link between teachers and families we consider to be one of the most important ways to challenge dysfunctional or damaging mindsets and encourage the change that is necessary for empowerment and the nurturing of the girl child. Together with Teacher Aid's input and financial

assistance the difference already is apparent. These children speak English, are gaining a relevant quality education and will be able to build their own and their community's brighter futures. The impact is life changing, hope and opportunity is real!

We have 16 yrs experience of the Zambian education system, in the heart of Sub-Saharan Africa, which sadly due to lack of rural schools, resources and apathy fails so many, recommitting children's lives to poverty. Most rural schools end at Primary level and few charities support secondary education. While a solid primary foundation is critical without secondary school no student can access trades or academic pathways and employment. Remote rural families cannot access or afford secondary education, and so students drop out at primary level. Girls are not encouraged to attend secondary school, teen pregnancies are common and many are entered into child marriages. The standard in most rural schools is poor and there is no accountability for teachers. A quality education is not achievable, many children cannot even read or write on completing primary school, and so the cycle of poverty, hopelessness and unemployment continues. **We are proud to support Nsobe Community School which the Ministry of Education has deemed a "model" school! Their officials are forever surprised at our school's excellent results and what can be achieved on a shoestring!**

Details of the interesting and informative short video of the school are below. You can learn how it's grown from 16 children in a small room in Fiona's house to 450 pupils and 22 teachers in a superbly run, complete school from pre-school to Grade 12(GCSE level). Staff and pupils are so motivated! It's oozing with commitment and enthusiasm gaining the best results (by far!) in the zone and district. Most pupils are expected to graduate to college, University or apprenticeships for academic or vocational careers. We base great hope all the pupils, especially on the many bright girls who are determined to have professional careers and their own families at a later date. We will be introducing a bursary scheme in due course to support tertiary education.



Students working



Happy Nsobe Children

Teacher Aid is the backbone of Nsobe, as without the monthly Support Fund it could not have grown and developed into what it is today. We are asking if you'd consider coming on board with us so please view the YouTube video and let us know if you'd like to sponsor a child or just the running costs. Everyone will receive a newsletter twice a year! Details of the Support Fund and how it works are overleaf!

Support A Child's Education

- A minimum of £15 a month for a Primary child and £20/£25 a month for a Secondary child.
- That covers their teacher's wage, a nutritious meal, uniform material, stationary and text books.
- All other amounts are welcomed.
- Either complete the form below and send to your bank or complete via online banking.
- Then email or post the bottom part to our Treasurer, Mike.
- For more information please contact Maggie Beecher.

Some of our UK supporters are children who are enjoying their pen-friendship with a Zambian child. This offers a unique opportunity for both to learn about each other's lives despite cultural differences. It's often found that boys share a love of football.

For Senior Secondary pupils the Teacher Aid mentor scheme provides insight and guidance into professions they may never have considered as a result of little previous exposure to life outside of their communities.

Letters from children are first read by their teacher to ensure good practice, safeguarding and are exchanged once a term. Children are taught in English.

Teacher Aid prides itself on having no admin costs so all of your donation goes directly to Nsobe. Funds are transferred to the School A/C quarterly and administered by Fiona. We 100% guarantee there is no corruption. You know exactly where your money is being spent!

Nsobe children are happy children but the icing on their cake is knowing they have someone who cares for them from the other side of the world!

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Nobody can help everyone but everyone



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