

Rwanyana Community Trust

News Bulletin summer 2023



We have grown!

In 11 years Bevan Community School has grown from a one room nursery class to a full primary school with 10 year groups. From giving food and an education to one class of children we now educate and feed 300! And that's not all, last year our first Primary 7 class graduated and some of the children progressed to secondary school or vocational college. The charity is determined to support children, where we can, to progress and ultimately be able to support their future families. Our fundraising this year is focussed



on raising money to enable this to happen.

We are therefore thrilled to welcome three new trustees! Neil, Alison and Keith visited and volunteered in the village last year. They bring a wealth of skills and knowledge of working in sub

Saharan Africa to our charity. Alison is a trained occupational therapist and is supporting nurses Brenda and Desire with the special needs group. Neil and Keith have supported by producing disability aids and building a school playground. They are also spreading our charity news and fundraising for our work in their local area in North Wales.

Charity Objectives

RELIEF OF POVERTY - EDUCATION

UK Charity Registration Number 1177712

Feeding the children!

Do you know?

We have 57 sponsored children attending Bevan school whose sponsorship pays for their school food and education. Some children's parents contribute what they can to their costs. We also have 62 'needy' children attending school whose family cannot contribute but they haven't yet got a sponsor. We are passionate about these children receiving an education so currently fund these children by our fundraising.



300 breakfasts!

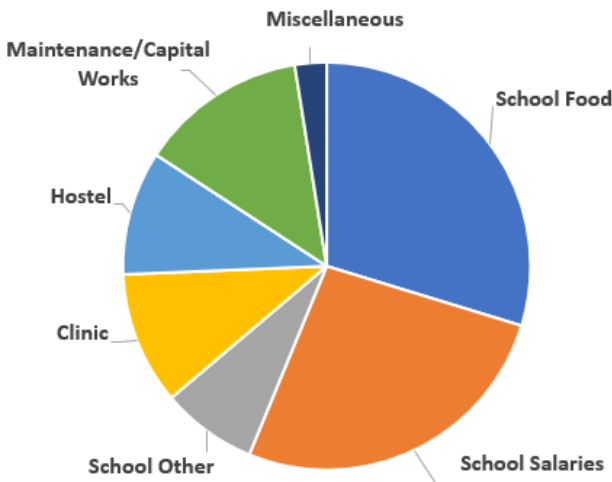
The children drink a thin porridge made of maize meal, sugar and water.

300 lunches!

The children eat posho - a maize meal paste with a bean stew and sometimes cabbage

It costs approximately £90 per day to feed these 300 children.

2022 Project Expenditure



Like everywhere in the world food prices in Uganda have greatly increased. We spend a large percentage of our budget on feeding the children. We think that this is money well spent because it could be the only food the children get that day and a happy, healthy child will learn well.

Fundraising Music events

We are pleased to announce 3 fundraising concerts, dedicated to our cause. **Maryen Cairns, a Guernsey based Australian singer songwriter**, is touring the UK and has pledged all the ticket proceeds from her three Sheffield shows to our charity. Thank you Maryen! And thank you supporter Andy Dancer for organising this! **Dates 11, 12, 14 August**. £10 Adult/£5 under 21. Under 10s free. Tickets at:

www.maryencairns.com or call Jamie on 0780 5378012

Mountains with Mabel for Meals

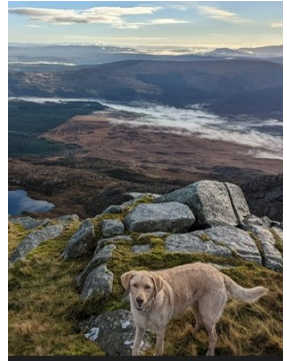
Mabel (labradoodle) and Alison (human) are taking on the 'Oggie 8' challenge this July to raise funds for school dinners for needy children at Bevan Community School in Rwanyana, Uganda.

The Oggie 8 are the 8 tops over 3000ft in the Ogwen valley in North Wales - Carnedd Llewelyn, Yr Elen, Carnedd Dafydd, Pen yr Ole Wen, Y Garn, Glyder Fawr, Glyder Fach, & Tryfan.

There will be lots of pointy mountains with lots of ascent and descent and hopefully lots of amazing views with good weather! It might also rain as the route is right in the middle of Snowdonia (Eryri). We'll be taking on the 15 mile mountain challenge over 2 days.

We hope to raise £300 to cover the cost of 1000 school dinners for these needy children. Can you help us?

Donate at: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/fundraising/mountainwithMabelformeals>



Ideas wanted!

Do you have any fundraising ideas? Could you help us raise funds for RCT by hosting or organizing your own event? Maybe an afternoon tea with friends, a cycle ride or a car boot sale?

Do you know of any organisations who might want us to tell them about RCT? Eg WI, Rotary, church group, U3A? We had a great evening with Wadsley WI recently. Thanks Wadsley for your interest!

We have lots of information to help you tell people about the project - please get in touch by email if we can help. rwanyanacommunitytrust@gmail.com



Other news



Work has started on a dedicated building for Daniel's Clinic. This will provide much needed extra space for the clinic services including our Special Needs initiative.



Whilst Bevan Community School is a good school compared to other Ugandan Schools it is still poorly resourced. One of our aims is to address this so were thrilled to be able to buy text books for the P7 class. £230 bought 41 books which will enable the students to study more independently towards their Primary Leaving Exam. Our aim is to supply the other classes with books. We even aspire to providing some IT resources!

What can you do ?

Sponsor a child

£25 a month will provide schooling, uniform and food for a child in desperate need.

Sponsor school needs

Any regular contribution to the school will enable us to provide education for needy children who haven't got a sponsor

£20 per month will provide food at school for 3 children

£10 per month will provide 30 children with school stationery

Eg. £6 will provide a school text book, £10 will provide uniform for one child

Contact or donate at www.rwanyanacommunitytrust.com



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