

NEWSLETTER No 10

Rukungiri Modern School continues to do well



A big 'well done' to the students, staff and head teachers Geoffrey & Loyce, as their grades continue to remain high. As you can see from the chart the majority achieve the highest level (division 1) in their leaving exams. Thanks also to you, our supporters & sponsors, for without you none of this would be possible. We all know that grades aren't everything but from visiting them recently we were greeted by a mass of happy, healthy children and were impressed by their enthusiasm & zest for learning and for life.



School results of leaving exams 2000-2014

| Year | No. in class | achieved division I |
|------|--------------|---------------------|
| 2000 | 36           | 94%                 |
| 2001 | 41           | 90%                 |
| 2002 | 44           | 91%                 |
| 2003 | 77           | 94%                 |
| 2004 | 90           | 81%                 |
| 2005 | 79           | 84%                 |
| 2006 | 70           | 91%                 |
| 2007 | 70           | 97%                 |
| 2008 | 87           | 72%                 |
| 2009 | 82           | 94%                 |
| 2010 | 75           | 88%                 |
| 2011 | 81           | 95%                 |
| 2012 | 75           | 95%                 |
| 2013 | 72           | 92%                 |
| 2014 | 71           | 92%                 |

Can you help the band?



The school band is using very old musical instruments; many have been repaired time & time again but could now do with replacing with new or good condition second hand ones. If you would like to help with this financially or otherwise please get in contact with us. Contact Nickie Manolescue on [nickie.manolescue@btinternet.com](mailto:nickie.manolescue@btinternet.com).

Sponsorship & Fundraising

Most of the charity's income is from sponsorship & donations. A significant amount is donated by fundraising events: over the last year we have received money from a variety of people though Christmas pudding sales, a pudding sampling evening and a sponsored walk and marathon.

Here is a photo of Tom who recently ran the London Marathon and raised over £1,000 for Rukungiri Orphan Partnership. This money will be used to purchase play equipment for the nursery school. Well done to Tom for all of his efforts & generosity; and to the friends, family & work colleagues who supported him in this.



## Meet Pamela

She has been working in Modern School as school counsellor & nurse for just over 6 years now. She is married to Richardson and they have a little boy of 6 called Skipper. Prior to working at the school Pamela (Pamera) was working for Tear Fund for three years in an equally family-centred, caring role.

In her current position she works alongside the teachers & headmaster. She is the person that the children come to if in any distress or pain. She knows & loves the children, offers a listening ear & first aid as needed.

By sending bedwetting devices ROP has helped Pamela to reduce the problem of bedwetting within the school dormitories. If there are serious issues she may visit the children's home along with a teacher or the headmaster, or the family may ask her to call in to discuss a concern. She is like a mother to the children.

Pamela says that they are wanting to employ a male counsellor/nurse so the boys too have someone specifically for them & their needs.

Talking to Pamela she is so lovely & cheerful that you would be forgiven for thinking that she has a nice little situation and a relatively easy life; but over recent years she has had to deal with difficult health problems of her own.

I ended our chat by asking her what she considered to be the best bit of her job - she answered without a second thought "Sharing & talking with the children"



## Down on the farm

We visited the farm during our visit to Uganda & saw where some of the food for the school is grown.

The soil is very fertile, and crops tend to flourish (with help from the workers). It was good to see the tractor, trailer & plough in full use.

## Contacting your Sponsored Child

If you would like to write to your child, please do but we would suggest that you don't enclose any gifts as they may go astray before getting to the school. Letters/cards/postcards are ideal in an envelope with your child's full name & year no. followed by ;

**Rukungiri Modern Primary School**  
**PO box 116**  
**Rukungiri, Uganda**

## Financial Report

January to December 2014

### Incoming:-

|              |                 |
|--------------|-----------------|
| Sponsorship  | £77,823         |
| Donations    | £23,370         |
| Gift Aid     | £18,354         |
| Fund raising | £3,365          |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>£122,912</b> |

### Outgoing:-

|                        |                 |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Sent to Rukungiri      | £121,265        |
| Charity administration | £248            |
| Bank charges           | £240            |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>£121,753</b> |