

# RUKUNGIRI ORPHAN PARTNERSHIP

## NEWSLETTER NO 15



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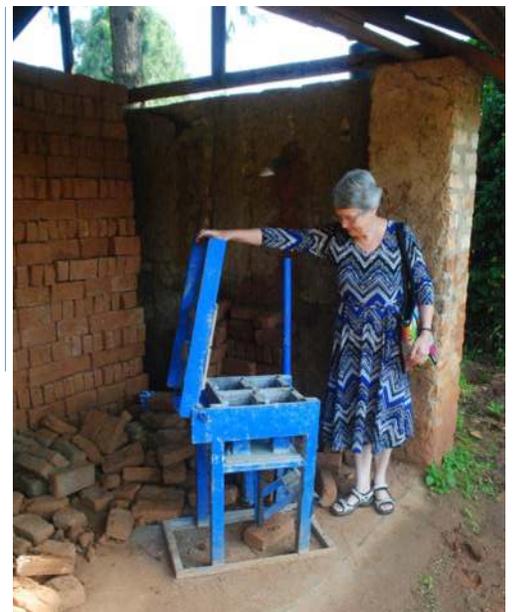
### THE UK IS NOT THE ONLY PLACE TO GET LOTS OF RAIN! THE PROJECT IN RUKUNGIRI FOR THIS YEAR IS TO PAVE THE SCHOOLYARD.

While we were visiting the school in November last year it rained a lot and the schoolyard was full of mud and puddles. Needless to say that when the children were out at playtime they managed to get covered in mud.

John has managed to buy a 'paver press' (see photo right) that churns out 4 pavers at a time (see above right) and is homed in the Gables

Vocational Centre. Work has begun to pave the whole area to make for a cleaner and smarter school. This is quite a skilled job as the area has to be leveled first and the pavers fitted snugly together.

At the moment all schools and colleges in Uganda are closed because of COVID 19 so that has delayed both the paving project and the new toilet block.



ROP has gained a new trustee this year.

Roger Farnworth has known Alice and John since he stayed with them in Rukungiri in the 1990s and they have visited Roger and his wife Jo in their home in Ashton under Lyne where Roger works as Team Rector and Borough Dean of Tameside.. We are very happy to have Roger on our team of trustees.



It was a lovely surprise to meet some of the 'Pioneers' of Modern School. Claire Peace (left of photo) organized a meeting of some of the original pupils of the school who are now well qualified and working in various offices around Kampala. They were all anxious to say 'Thank you' to everyone who is helping with ROP to make it possible for others like them to get such a good education.



While we were in Rukungiri P7 were taking their PLE exams. One of the outside invigilators called Rev Andrew (R of photo) said how impressed he was by the way the school had organized the exam hall and how the children conducted themselves, which pleased Headmaster Geoffrey (L of photo) very much. The PLE results were very good again this year.

### Corona Virus

The situation is changing all the time but at the moment all public transport and shops (except food shops) and public places are shut down. There is a curfew between 7pm and 7am.

53 cases have been reported so far and no deaths but there are refugee camps and crowded quarters in the city areas where social distancing will be nearly impossible. Inadequate water supplies will also make frequent hand washing difficult.

Please pray for all our friends in Uganda.

### Financial Report

January to December 1919

#### Incoming:-

Sponsorship	£75,896
Donations	£16,403
Gift Aid	£16,321
<b>Total</b>	<b>£108,620</b>

#### Outgoing:-

Sent to Rukungiri	£109,500
Bank charges	£222
Charity administration	£238
Accountancy	£100
<b>Total</b>	<b>£110,060</b>

**The trustees at ROP are praying for our sponsors during this difficult time. Thank you to all those who are managing to continue to donate during this crisis, your loyalty is very much appreciated. We understand that some may be forced to stop their sponsorship.**

Please let us know if you change your email or postal address or your telephone number. We cannot send your sponsored child's letter to you or alert you to the latest newsletter without the correct addresses.