



AUGUST 2009 - NEWSLETTER



NEW SCHOOL LINKS
Buiketo Community School with
Parkfield School, Taunton

&

Masuku Mine School, Choma with
Malton Community School, North Yorkshire

Dear Friends Thank you all so much for your continued support to us, which we really value and appreciate so much. The really great thing is that the funds are sent to Zambia and used directly for the purpose they're meant for. We still take nothing for administration (all costs being met by Trustees).

So I'm able to let you know of several fantastic, life-changing projects that have happened recently, through the generosity of our supporters.

WHAT WE'RE DOING.....

• Sponsorship : Oscar Sitali



Oscar on his first day at college

Taunton & Lisieux Rotary Clubs, to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the link between the two clubs, are sponsoring Oscar on a 3 year Secondary Teacher Training course at David Livingstone College of Education. Oscar, who was a volunteer student teacher at Buiketo Community School, gained one of the few places available. We wish him every success.



Buiketo school. waiting for a roof.

Robert Mwamba



Robert Mwamba, a volunteer untrained teacher at a community school, is being sponsored to study Grades 10 – 12, on a distance learning course, which will enable him to go on to apply for a place at teacher training

• Borehole at Kabuyu School – planned for October 09

This school is without its own clean water supply. Over 400 children are going without sufficient water.

PLEASE HELP US RAISE THE £4000 NEEDED TO DRILL A BOREHOLE

October is the best time to drill.

- With your help we can do it this year!
- £10 will give a child clean water for years!
- What better way to spend £10 !!



A man digging for water using his bare hands (north Zambia)

Skelton Newby Hall Sch are raising £1600 to sponsor a teacher

Stoke Church has supported Libala school by funding a school trip to Livingstone, & buying cement to finish the toilet for teachers house

Several 25kg bags of mealie meal and kapenta (dried fish) have been given to schools where food shortages resulted in poor attendance. For most children their school meal is the only food of the day

We're registered with Justgiving.com the fundraising website.
You can create your own page for a fundraising event.
Please visit www.justgiving.com/zestuk

WHAT WE'VE DONE.....

The Simatobolo Story



Old school building

This school was linked with Hatch Beauchamp Primary school in Dec 2006. Following a visit there in July 2007 when we were impressed by the enthusiasm and dedication of the volunteer teachers, we started to raise funds for a **new school building**, to replace the very small mud hut that was falling down.



Nearly complete Mar 09



Parents make bricks



Visit June 08



Roof timbers Sept 08



We pay the painter to instruct 2 apprentices from the community too



Finished inside and out – we're now equipping the new building with desks and funds are needed for teachers tables and chairs.

Here the children help assemble the desks that were delivered by truck in July.

The New Simatobolo Community School

...the story goes on...

Simatobolo did not have a supply of clean drinking water. Hatch Beauchamp School, Church & Village decided to give Simatobolo a **Borehole**. They raised approx £3500 in a year.



Oct 08



Dec 08



Jul 09



Planting Orange Trees. 8 trees were provided and will give much needed Vitamins to the childrens' diet.

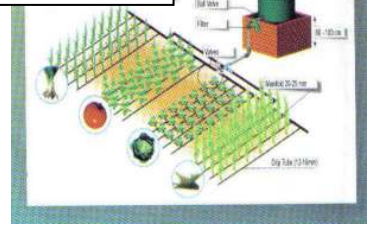
The Simatobolo Garden committee had a 2day **Organic Vegetable Growing workshop.** Norwegian charity Response Network, have again assisted us with training in the community. Each paid 10,000 kwacha (£1.40) and the headman provided food for the 2 Zambian trainers.

Jul -Aug 09



4 school **toilets** are being built, funded by West Hatch Church

Proposed for Aug 09



A **Drip-feed Irrigation system** to be installed this month, which will work from the handpump. Funded by Pat Ludiman's sponsored slim which raised over £2600.

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Thank you all so much for your very valuable support & encouragement to us. God bless you.

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