



TABORA LEAGUE FOR CHILDREN (TLC)

Working with orphans and vulnerable children
and their families at 3 TLC Day Centres,
Isevy, Ngambo and Chem Chem in Tabora

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A big thank-you to all our amazing sponsors and donors –
your generosity has helped our young people
to achieve such a lot.

Student Achievements

These 3 young people below have done really well. Support from their sponsors, and from the dedicated Tabora TLC Team, has enabled them to get the qualifications they need. And we suspect this is just the start of their success....



One of our students studying Agricultural Science popped into her TLC Centre recently to update staff and her sponsor on her finals this year.



Our latest garage mechanic at work.



A Catering student who has recently passed her first semester exams.



A graduation party, prior to final F6 exams. Following those a university place will be allocated.



A hair-dressing apprentice at her training salon.

Fundraising



The sponsor of this young man, left, now in his last year at secondary school, held a coffee morning in Arizona to raise funds for TLC.

This bike, right, was bought with funds raised in a special appeal. Children often need to travel far from home and their TLC Centre to attend their secondary school so we try to equip them with a bike if needed.



Many thanks to those who continue to send money for footballs and netballs. The team to the left, have just completed their game, enabled by the donated balls.

Many thanks to all who give so generously for all our children's needs



Special thanks to Ashley for his stupendous money-raising. His walk around London's M25 happens on 22nd June and will take over 48 hours. He is pictured here on a practice walk from Wanstead to London Dockland. His total has reached £25,997 and no, that comma has not been misplaced. Some of Ashley's sponsorship money paid for a mattress for Bibi Kashindye. Ashley, a physiotherapist, gave her some advice for her painful back. She cried for



happiness and was immensely grateful, saying that she will pray to God that she will meet Ashley again before she dies.



Anisa is another special fundraiser recently raising £1860 in memory of her beloved grandfather, an inspiring teacher, to support one of our teachers for the next 2 years. She has sponsored a teacher at Ngambo, below, whose salary is now secured for 2 years.

She has also raised enough money for a beef dinner for all the children and staff to celebrate Eid. She will also send funds so that all get new clothes for the celebration. Pictures of that celebration will come in the next newsletter.



Tanzanian-inspired textile art raises £750. Robina Richter, one of our Trustees, took part in the Emsworth Arts Trail for 3 days this May. She exhibited her patchwork using fabrics from Tanzania, and her textile pictures, using dye, batik and stitch (see left). To her utter surprise she sold out of work in the first day and was able to donate £750 to TLC. Some of that went to providing new mattresses, see below.



Left <-2 siblings with their first ever mattress. Mattresses aren't just 'nice to have' as an alternative to sleeping on the floor – it's much safer to tuck the edges of your mosquito net under the edges of your mattress to thwart bugs.

Right -> One of our lovely sponsors donated new clothes to the children at one of our Centres.



Health



Several of the children have suffered from malaria and conjunctivitis during the rainy season. Here, top left, one of the girls who suffered from both.

Several homes have been affected by heavy rains too. Like many other places around the world Tabora has been inundated with rain this year but it is easing now and generally health is improving.

We provide all TLC children with mosquito nets and renew them when worn, but without a means of hanging the net securely and in some cases without a mattress to tuck it under, mosquito nets are less effective.



Every week, long bars of soap are cut up and distributed. These were particularly needed in the last few months when there was a Cholera outbreak in Tabora. The families cut them up into smaller bars of soap and they are used for body and clothes washing.



Looking After Each Other

The children support each other, just as in a family.



Left<-The three children dressed in green all very vulnerable and very bright and are at a private school, only eating at Ngambo on Fridays and Saturdays. They get a great welcome from their smaller friends who help with their bags when they arrive. Two of these children in green have a 'hand to mouth' existence with their mother and other siblings since their (illegal) shack was bulldozed a few years ago. The one on the left is the daughter of a lady with poor mental health, four of whose children are in TLC's foster care system. Right -> One of the older lads looks after 2 of the newbies



Local Volunteering

Paid work is not easy to come by. Volunteering at a TLC Centre can provide excellent experience and provide a reference for future employment. This is Jacqueline, our new local volunteer at Iseyva, who is paid a small stipend by us. She will be with us, initially, for 6 months, which can be extended to a year.

International Volunteers who could help and pay their own way are also always welcome, contact us: tlctanzania@gmail.com



Improving Life Chances

TLC aims to educate and empower the children and young adults it cares for. Music brings pleasure and helps to develop many different skills, such as working with others and developing self-esteem. Ashley's sponsorship has funded musical instruments for the children, Ash says he has a feeling that some of them will go on to do great things musically.



Maybe even a choir – we have some very good singers. Pictured right children using the new marimbas at Isevyu. All three centres have now been equipped with drums and marimbas.

Perhaps there is a Volunteer somewhere local or international to help develop the talents.



New Sponsors are needed for these children below:



This brother and sister, aged 6 and 10, have had to leave school as their father died and they live with their elderly and

frail grandparents who need help to support and get them back to school.



This 5-year-old's mother and father are blind. She has not yet started school because of her family situation. Her father and mother depend on begging to take care of the family.

Will you help? Sponsorship would mean that they could start, or return to, school. That could make all the difference to their futures.

£25pm gives them schooling, nutritious meals 6 days a week (7 if needed), health care, a safe place to play and extra tuition with one of our own teachers plus lots of TLC of course.

We have the most amazing sponsors – why not join them by supporting one of these needy youngsters.

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Thank you

A big welcome to Hazel English, now producing our newsletters. She visited TLC Tabora with Marg in our early days.

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