

**Newsletter  
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Dear Friends of CLinC,

Schools in Zambia began their third term of the year on Sept 9th. Their new school year begins in January.

We have just sent this term's money for the feeding programme, small bonuses for the ten teachers and college fees for six teachers. Kelvin will withdraw money as we have instructed and send receipts or signatures for it all. Without Kelvin, CLinC would not be able to function.

**Feeding programme.**

Until the rains come in November, food is scarce and expensive in Zambia. For this reason we have sent £1,162 to provide each child with two meals a week instead of the usual one meal. There are over 550 children in the two schools and 12 weeks in a term. To make the money stretch further, food is bought from local sources. Mealie meal, the staple food, and charcoal is bought in bulk.



**Teachers.**

None of our teachers had any training when they came to us. Most of them are members of the congregations at St Anne's and St Mark's Churches. They depend on their own schooling and the national curriculum teachers' guides to carry out their teaching. They see this as part of their ministry to the community and lay great store on the importance of educating the children in the townships.

The 10 teachers are paid by the schools from parental contributions. This will be a fraction of the salary paid to teachers in government schools. So, each term we send a small 'bonus' of K200 for each teacher, which this term cost us around £130.

Kelvin, as our main contact, also receives K100 a month (£6) and Alice who co-ordinates the teacher training receives K50 a month (£3). This enables them to buy additional 'top ups' for their mobile phones to keep us in touch with what is happening.

## Teacher training

Out of our ten teachers, CLinC has already enabled two teachers, Zuze and Janet, to gain their teaching qualifications. Six more teachers are now studying at local colleges.

Alice, Kelvin and Mary are in their first year of a degree in primary education.

Wendy, Martha, and Charity are in their first year of a diploma in primary education.

This cost us £1067 for this term.

## Classrooms.

Both schools continue to use the churches for some class teaching as well as the new classrooms funded by CLinC.

In Zambia church congregations are growing in size and for the last 10 years St Anne's Church have been building the walls for a new larger church around the old one! The children have continued to use the church during this time. However, the demolition of the old church has now started. This will mean that the school will lose the teaching area for 3 classes. We are waiting to hear what their plans are to compensate for this. The old church roof is being removed here and hopefully a storage space for the desks will be found!



## Fundraising in 2019

### 'Brass on the Grass'



We were lucky with the weather this year and the afternoon was enjoyed by everyone. Thank you to all involved in this event; to Paul and Lisa for the use of their beautiful garden, to Peggy and Doug for all their organisation, to Oldland Brass for playing for us, and of course, to all who came and enjoyed the afternoon. A profit of £507 was raised for the work of CLinC.

The **Craft weekend** at St Andrew's church was well attended.

The sale of craft items raised £150 for the work of CLinC





At the **Cromhall Show and Village fayre** we had a sales table of jams, marmalades and other items in aid of CLinC and raised £166.50

A **Mothers' Union afternoon** raised a further £45.50.

At the **Charities Fair** at Wotton-under-Edge on Sat. Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> we will have a display of the work of CLinC and a sales table of jams, quilted and sewn items.



There will also be **Christmas Bazaar** in Cromhall on Sat Nov 30<sup>th</sup> and we will have a sales table there.

### **Pupil sponsorship in 2019**

In January 2019 we sent £4,125 to pay the school fees for 56 pupils and the other 21 pupils' fees were paid by Zebra Trust. All but 5 of these pupils are studying at Chipata Primary school which takes pupils through to grade 10.

### **Looking ahead to 2020**



These are some of next year's grade 8 pupils at St Anne's taking their mock grade 7 exams. The end of year exams take place in October.

There will be a total of 49 pupils leaving our two schools in December and we will sponsor as many of these as possible to study grade 8 next year.

A decision about the number of grade 8 pupils we can afford to sponsor will be made at the end of November when hopefully we will know how much money we have.

**Thank you** to all of you who donate monthly and also to all who have already sent their sponsorship money for next year. This does help us to plan ahead.

In 2020 CLinC also plans to sponsor 18 of the current grade 8 pupils through grade 9. The remaining 21 pupils will hopefully be sponsored by Zebra Trust again.

**Thank you all once again for your continued interest and support over the years.**

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