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Dear Friends of CLinC,

Term 3, the final term in the school year in Zambia, began on Sept 5th.

St Mark's Anglican Community School, Chazanga, Lusaka

There are 258 pupils at St Mark's Community School in classes from pre-school to grade 7. This term CLinC have sent £666 to provide all children with two hot, nutritious meals each week and £1255 towards the teachers' pay for September to December.

Parental contributions last term amounted to K11,770 (£654) and were used to top up the teachers' pay and pay for other school expenses. In addition, the school managed to raise a further K2,260 (£125) at Sports Day and used this to buy a First Aid kit.



Teacher Training. A further £1,038 was sent to continue training of teachers. Alice and Mary will graduate with a degree in Primary Education at the end of this year.



Since St Mark's school started in 2009, lessons have been held both in the Church and a small room attached to it. Since 2015, lessons have also taken place in the classrooms that CLinC built. The one small classroom at the side of the church has recently been demolished. The well-used blackboard can be seen in this picture. This is because the church has begun a project to build a new, larger church on land that the school has been using for sports and recreation. All lessons will now take place in the new classrooms with the classes divided between morning and afternoon sessions.

Link with St Andrew's School in Cromhall

At the end of last term, pupils at St Mark's sent letters to children at St Andrew's, Cromhall. The hope is that St Andrew's school children will reply.

Cookery Course for grades 6 & 7

Alice, Head Teacher at St Mark's, sent a lovely video showing the pupils behind a table covered with all the dishes they had cooked. The pupils prepared and cooked all the dishes under Alice's supervision. The food for the cookery course was all provided by parents. There were dishes they would recognise such as pumpkin leaves, sweet potato, watermelon, and dried fish. They also made biscuits and vegetable salad, cooked minced beef, macaroni, spaghetti, and chips. Finally, the children all enjoyed eating the food!



Next week they are having a needlework course. Great excitement!

St Anne's Anglican Community School – Chipata, Lusaka.

There are 285 pupils at St Anne's Community School in classes from pre-school to grade 7.

For this term CLinC sent £666 to cover the feeding programme and £1,270 towards the pay for teachers, carers and guard.

Parental contributions last term came to K14,860 (£825). These remain voluntary as many families are too poor to pay the full amount requested. This money was used to top-up the teachers' pay, purchase chlorine to purify the borehole water supply, purchase pens and paper and pay the electricity bill.

We are trying hard to get information about events and extra-curricular activities the schools are involved in. All we have heard from St Anne's is that in July the school had a 'fun fair' but other than it being colourful and enjoyed, we have no details about it.

The school's water supply comes from a borehole that CLinC funded several years ago. The water is then pumped into a tank, high above the school. The stand that supports it is needing repair, so K3,000 (£166) has been sent this term to avoid the risk of complete collapse!

Fundraising news

1. The illustrated talk about the work of CLinC at Newent Mothers Union on Tuesday July 26th went ahead as planned. Third time lucky! Jams & marmalade were sold and, including donations, raised £97.
2. Open day at Tortworth Church - August 14th
This was a very enjoyable day and sale of bags and other small crafts raised around £90 for the work of CLinC.
3. The sales table at the Cromhall Show on Saturday September 3rd raised a further £150 from the sale of jams, marmalade, bird boxes and other small crafts.



Looking ahead

1. On October 1st we are looking forward to another '**Quiz and Supper Evening**' in Cromhall Village Hall. Tickets are still available if you are able to join us.
2. '**Under The Edge Quilters**' are having an exhibition, entitled '22:Months of Creative Isolation', on Oct 8th-9th in The Chipping Hall, Wotton-under-Edge. CLinC is having a sales table at this.
Free entry – Do come along if you live nearby.
3. **Wotton Charities fair** will be on Sat Nov 26th at Wotton Civic Centre, 10am-4pm. We will be there with all our Christmas crafts!
4. Finally, this year, there will be a **Christmas Craft Fair** on Sat Dec 3rd in Cromhall Village Hall and CLinC will have a sales table and organise the refreshments.

THANK YOU AGAIN ..

..to those of you who have standing orders for monthly, quarterly or yearly donations. This does help us to plan ahead with confidence.

...to those of you who send an annual sum for grade 8&9 pupils. The money this year has provided each child with uniform and books.

Thank you for your continued interest and support.

Without you, we couldn't do it.

Ann, on behalf of trustees of CLinC – September 2022