



Seeway Tanzania - June 2012

June!! Wimbledon, strawberries... Oh. No. We are in Tanzania. June here was of course busy as ever and a lot of fun:

To say thank you for all their hard work over the years, we took ALL our staff on an outing to Tarangire National Park!! We were able to leave an experienced volunteer, Cindy, in charge of the centre for the day, hired a couple of extra-long Landcruisers (complete with driver/guide) and had a wonderful day with our staff looking at elephants, baboons, giraffe and so many more animals. For some it was their first time away from Arusha, and a real eye-opener to see a different part of their beautiful country and the animals Tanzania is famous for.

Most of our children were home for school holidays at some point (not everyone at the same time though as different types of schools use different holiday calendars...). It was lovely to catch up with the older children who are away at boarding school much of the year. Joshua, Alex, Kanuti, Careen, Fatuma and Eliza were all home, complaining about the food at school and the huge amount of study they cram in each day!

We visited Usa River Academy for parents' day and were delighted to find out that Riziki, David, Arnold, and Mahija are all number 2 or 3 in their class!! James, Ally, and Zainabu have discovered the delights of playing with other children at school, so need to be steered a bit more towards focusing on study, but their teacher was also pleased with their progress.

Finally, in response to a request from the James 1:27 group of ladies up on Mt. Meru, and aided by a generous donation from Joe McCroskey (JSMI USA), SWTz organized an outreach to 100 widows, widowers and elderly. They have been struggling with the unexpectedly early cold weather and a shortage of food (as the last crop failed and the next harvest isn't for a month or so). Each person received a blanket, sugar, tea, and enough maize to last a month. It was so incredibly humbling to see the gratitude and smiles we received from everybody. Sometimes we forget how blessed we are in our daily lives.

Birthdays in June: Neema (7); Sandekei (5); Joshua.



The amazing staff at SWTz - these are the people who make it all work day after day...oh and Wendy too!



On safari!!



On Mt. Meru: volunteer Maxime gives out maize; volunteer Cindy gets a Meru greeting; waiting for their name to be called...



Giving out a bag of maize; Wendy and volunteer Piers take a break; help getting his load on his head...



Just received her donation; Rebecca and volunteer Sophia give out maize; Very happy with her donation...



David and Arnold, Careen Riziki & Fatuma at URA Parents' Day; James and Ally enjoy a day out and a bouncy castle!

Thank You for helping to make a difference in Tanzania!!!!