



NEWS FROM TANZANIA!

Vision without action is just a dream, action without vision just passes the time, and vision with action can change the world - Nelson Mandela

Never limit your vision based on your current resources - Michael Hyatt

SWTz started as a vision 12 years ago to help just one boy get an education and stop living on the streets of Arusha. We added some action, and were blessed with a small budget (starting our long term partnership with Seeway Trust), and we haven't looked back since.

When we look at our beautiful children's centre and our happy healthy residential children; see how well our alumni are doing in their lives; listen to our bustling (and noisy!) nursery school students; and think about the numerous families and schools we've been able to help in our local community and farther afield, we're simply overwhelmed at how much has been achieved; how much we have been blessed; and just how a small seed of an idea can turn into a big strong tree bearing fruit.



We're now embarking on new adventures, new vision, and entering into an area we know little about (currently), and our most ambitious project yet. But hey, that's never stopped us! When you know you're supposed to do something, you know... Together with teams from Nord Anglia Education (NAE), we've started building our new nursery school and special needs unit, and we're excited at the prospect of being able to meet the needs of more children who currently have no options for education.

Meanwhile...on a daily basis, what's been happening?

We recently received national exam results for Faidha and Danny (Idrisa has changed his name... and is pictured right, getting plastering experience at the building site), and both got an average grade of B - they are thrilled, and look forward to going on to good secondary schools in January to begin O Level studies. Faidha got great grades: Kiswahili: A, English: A, Civics: B, Mathematics: A, Science: B, Average Grade: B; and Danny has overcome so many obstacles in his life and is excelling as a scholar. We couldn't be prouder.



Mwajuma (left) has started attending a primary/nursery school specialising in deaf children. She is loving learning sign language, and we have seen her start to try to communicate more with us.

We bumped into Joshua (right), one of our 4 original residential children - he is working as a delivery driver, looks happy, healthy, and we are happy that his life is on a smooth track after a few bumps here and there.



We've really enjoyed having UK volunteer Vanessa with us the past three months - she made such a big difference at the nursery school, completed

some awesome arts and crafts projects with the students, and had a lot of fun along the way...including dancing (left)!



Thanks to NAE student Garrett from last season's

expeditions, who raised funds for us, we were able to make goalposts for our small football area (right).



We have completed 3 expeditions with NAE students (pics below) for the new season, and have already helped 24 vulnerable families with goat sheds, solar systems, and rocket stoves, and there

has been a lot of hard work going on at the new nursery school building site. We have also already built 24 desks to Maroroni Primary School and given them boxes stuffed with pencils, pens, rulers...for their students. Huge thanks to NAE, and also our amazing volunteers - Sarah, Grace, and Martina - as well as all our SWTz staff, who help make all this happen.



Finally - we are coming across some families and elderly people living in very precarious situations including sleeping outside (as their houses are too dangerous to live in), and we're needing to give additional assistance including, in some cases, building 1-2 room small brick houses. We are also giving financial help regularly to a couple of families who are struggling to cope due to medical reasons. If you would like to know more and give towards these projects, or better still, become a regular donor (even £5 or \$10 a month makes a huge difference...), contact us at the email address below.

Thank you for making a difference in Tanzania!