

JULY-AUGUST 2017 PROJECT UPDATE

We had several activities in the months of July and August.

Below are some of the activities;

a) Hygiene workshop

In July we had a cholera outbreak in Nakuru and Nairobi. We invited a public officer to come and have a workshop with both children and teachers. They were taught on personal and environmental hygiene. After the workshop, all children were de-wormed.



Public health officer giving de-worming tablets

b) Micro-Credit

In early August, we visited all parents who are doing business. Currently we have 32 parents in business.

Most of these parents received seed money from sponsors to their children. Sponsors decided to help these families to help themselves. A number of parents in business are also foster parents who received money from one sponsor (Elsbeth Hirsche). She donated 400,000 Kenya shillings from her retirement benefits to go to foster parents. These parents live with orphan children. They do business to support these children plus their own

Most of the businesses we visited are doing well. Most parents are able to pay house rents and food from these businesses.



Mama Rehema Mbogah with her fruits and vegetable business in Ronda slums.



Mama Miriam Mbonne in her clothes and shoes kiosk

c) School Break Tutoring

We officially closed our school on 1st August for holidays. This was because Kenya was holding general election on 8th August. Election went on peacefully and we opened our school for holiday tutoring on 14th August. Most of the children reported on the 14th while a number were delayed who had traveled to their rural homes with their parents. Transportation was a problem as many people were traveling and the bus fare was high. By the end of the first week, all children and teachers had reported.

Teachers had lined up a number of activities during this period. There were classes from 8.00 am until 12 noon. Thereafter children went out for extra-curricular activities before having lunch. They left school at 2 pm. This was done from Monday through Friday.



Class 3 children during tutoring.



Children enjoying a meal with fruits and vegetables at lunchtime



Milk is healthy after learning and exercises



Children with their teachers during games

d) School Kitchen/Septic and pit latrines

The school kitchen we began building in January is nearly completed. We are at the finishing stage. The superstructure is complete, ceiling; floor tiles, water, electricity, cooking stoves etc are complete. We are now fixing the steam hood and painting. We are expecting it to be completed by mid September. It is a high quality kitchen. We are simultaneously building this kitchen with septic/pit latrines which are already constructed.



Our modern Kitchen



The inside of our kitchen (Steam hood being fixed)



Septic tank/Pit latrines/showers (parents need to be able to shower after doing their volunteer work in the kitchen)

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