

TREASURELAND HIGH SCHOOL

#UGM2016

BETTER TOOLS FOR BETTER EDUCATION

September '16 Project Update



ABOUT TREASURELAND HIGH SCHOOL

The Treasureland High School is a phenomenal institution that teaches over 50 disadvantaged children between 13-20 years. All of the students of the school have been unable to continue secondary education because they have not had the money to do so.



Inside Treasureland High School

Schooling in Uganda costs money and there is absolutely no infrastructure for any kind of free education. This means that children whose family cannot afford to send them to school have no opportunity to learn and get a basic education. Instead, at the age of 13, millions of children have to start work in order to support their families. Treasureland High School subsidise the education of all of its kids, offering free education for those most in need. They give disadvantaged children a vital start in life by giving them an education that they cannot afford elsewhere.

Better Tools for a Better Education

In 2015, from the runner's fundraising, we built a well and water pump system for the school. Previously the school kids had to walk over 5km a day to fetch water and now instead they can focus on learning. On top of that, the well is supporting the local community as the school has opened it up to the community, charging a small fee of 200UGX (£0.04) for each jerry that a

neighbour fills. That money is going in to a maintenance pot for the well so that the well will last for decades.



The well, funded by #UGM2015 runners, being built

The runners last year also fundraised enough for Treasureland to build a girls dorm, meaning they no longer need to pay rent on the previous dorm and can house the girls safely within the school premises.

All of the work last year was simply staggering and we have transformed the school, however there is still so much to do for this wonderful organisation in 2016.

You will be funding a solar system for the school that will help to power the buildings. Electricity bills are an expensive drain on the resources of the school and so you will be saving them large amounts of money over then next several years.

Also you will be funding major improvements to the teaching and organisational facilities of the school - vital teaching materials such as blackboards, text books, desks and other teaching stimuli will be bought by your money, along with facilities that will make the administration much easier.

SEPTEMBER '16 PROJECT UPDATE

This school has under gone a dramatic transformation since the marathon began supporting in 2015. The school has gone from two buildings, housing just 42 students, to 5 buildings housing 120 students. Out of these 120 students, only 35 are able to pay the school fees, the others are all



supported through school with parents paying where they can in kind - with food items and labour. That is incredible!

The water pump is still working well and has allowed students more time to study which, has seen a marked improvement in school grades. The seven pioneering students, who were there when the school started, sat their exams and got their highest ever recorded grades. Two 1st class, three 2nd class and two receiving the national average 3rd class grades.

All the students are now also housed within the school grounds, this means that the school is avoiding expensive costs of renting dormitory space and it creates a much safer environment for the students.

In 2016 we are aiming to support this school to become fully sustainable by buying their own farm land for growing all the crops required for feeding their increasing number of students.

THANK YOU FOR MAKING ALL OF THIS POSSIBLE!