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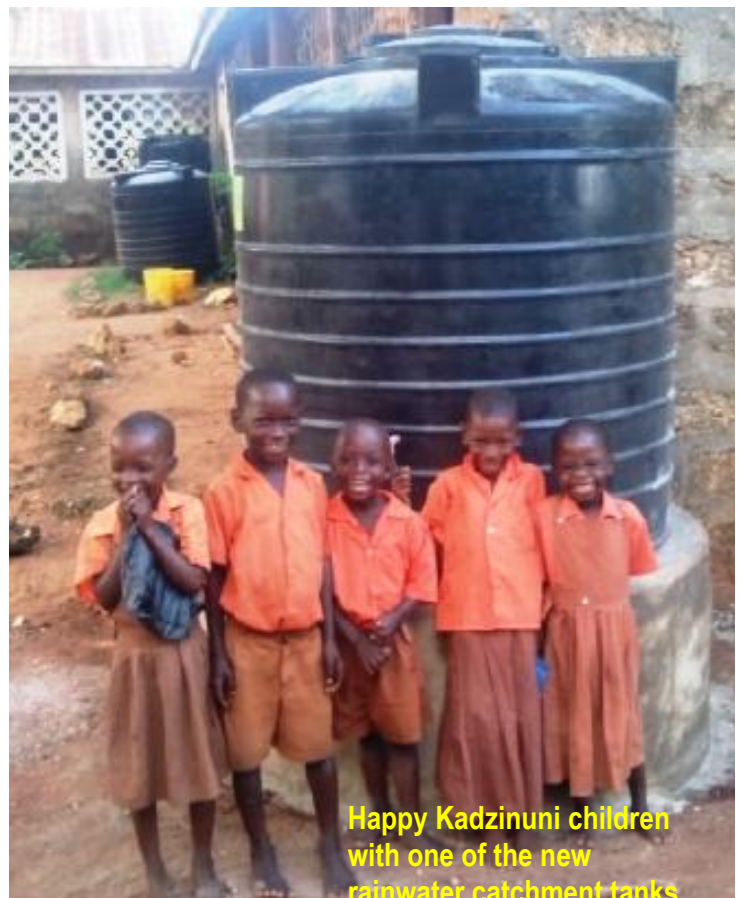
Saving lives at Kadzinuni?

Welcome to our winter newsletter. So much has been happening since our visit in the summer that we just had to publish an extra edition this year. Inside this time:

- Rainwater catchment
- Book Week
- Meet Kelly
- Munga Tours update
- School Trip

Water Appeal 2011

Once again water is a priority for us over the next few months. Whilst we have improved rain water harvesting we expect the unpredictability of the weather to cause serious problems at Kadzinuni. So we are repeating our water appeal.... More on page.2



Happy Kadzinuni children with one of the new rainwater catchment tanks

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Welcome to Kelly Sawyer, from the US Peace Corps

In late August a new volunteer from the American Peace Corps arrived at Kadzinuni, Kelly Sawyer. We are very much looking forward to collaborating with her, supporting projects on the ground that she will drive forward over the next 2 years. Here, she introduces herself... "My name is Kelly Sawyer, I'm 27 years old and I come from the sunny



state of Florida. I'm a HIV/AIDS and Hygiene Educator with the US Peace Corps, serving from June 2011 to August 2013. I have a Masters degree in Public Health and before my arrival to Kadzinuni, I worked at a University in mental health and HIV testing and counselling. When I first arrived at Kadzinuni I was struck by both the beauty of the village - there are coconut trees and a view of the Indian Ocean; and the impoverished conditions that people were living in - a lack of running water, electricity and basic supplies. I am really enjoying working with the people of Kadzinuni to improve their health status and I look forward to spending the next 2 years here!

Rainwater tanks installed

It seems like just a few weeks ago that we agreed the site for new rainwater tanks to be installed at Kadzinuni. We are therefore delighted to see that the project is now complete; nearly 5,000 litres of storage capacity has been added for just over £1,000. The vision shown in the rather amateurish "fixed" photo in our previous edition has become reality! Our brilliant community volunteer Patrick Nyambu co-ordinated the whole project, from ordering the materials, agreeing the work with carpenters and masons right through to sending us the photos! All we need now is good "short rains" that are due anytime! We have also just heard from Patrick (on 10th October) that



ALL THREE TANKS

ARE FULL TO THE BRIM! Patrick is now off to the capital city, Nairobi to undertake a 2 day horticulture workshop.

2011 Christmas Water Appeal

Rainfall is very unpredictable at Kadzinuni. In 2010 we successfully ran an appeal to generate funds to buy in tanker loads of water when Kendrick's Clinic was at risk of shutting down through lack of fresh water. Please consider making a

Gift of Water on behalf of a friend or family member this Christmas. £10 (if given under Gift Aid) can buy over 1,000 litres of fresh water. If you donate in this way we'll give you a special gift card as a record of this potentially lifesaving

Happy Christmas



A gift of fresh water

Christmas present for Kadzinuni. Gifts of water can be made for any amount over £5. Just email us at friends@kadzinuni.org.uk to arrange your gift.

Book Week at Kadzinuni

In late September we supported Kadzinuni's participation in National Book Week. Over 300 children took part in activities, quizzes, competitions and games



aimed at promoting reading. The event was run by Jonnathan Kalama the volunteer who now manages Trevor's Library, built in 2007 and dedicated to the late Rev'd Trevor Sisson, Rector of Keyworth. Amongst the prizes this year were special T shirts celebrating

Trevor as a Founding Trustee of The Friends of Kadzinuni. We provided just under £200 to ensure that the event went well. Money well spent as you can see below as the children take part under the shade of the new Kivuli, built a few weeks ago.



Kadzinuni School trip

In late October Head Teacher Johnson Nzaro wrote to us as follows...

*“I normally have a prize giving day towards the end of every year; whereby I reward pupils who have excelled in different areas in the year. This year, instead of buying them presents, I was intending to take them on an educational tour to Mombasa to visit sites such as the airport, nature trail and Fort Jesus. I’ve approached well-wishers who have agreed to cater for the entrance to some of these sites. I am planning to have a group of 48 pupils, 2 teachers, Patrick Nyambu and I making a total of 52. I hope this tour will be interesting and educative **as most of the pupils have never been to Mombasa.** The 52 participants can be ferried in one bus and I was therefore requesting you sir and the Friends of Kadzinuni to provide us with transport and lunch”.*

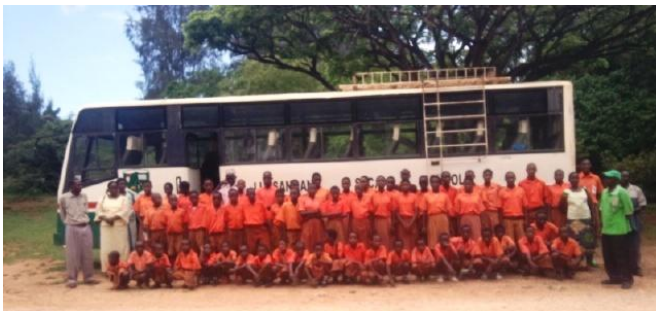
His request included a budget of the costs amounting to about £160 which we were pleased to accept. We therefore decided to use part of the donation from Crossdale Drive School’s Fun Run to cover this project. So, the trip took place on Friday 18th November and on Sunday morning we awoke to find the report and photos already in our Inbox from Patrick! So here are a few snaps of the wonderful day out.



Feeding giraffes at Haller Park Nature Reserve



Meeting the giant Tortoise at Haller Park (300 + years old!)



About to leave



Touring the docks near Likoni Ferry by boat



Walking at Fort Jesus



Tour of Mombasa “Old Town”

Exam Week at Kadzinuni

In the first week of November each year the oldest students at Kadzinuni take their KCPE Exams (Kenya Certificate of Primary Education). Head teacher Johnson wrote to us about this as follows...

"I have a humble request that I ask to pass to you and the Friends of Kadzinuni. It is about our KCPE candidates. They will be sitting for their final exams as from the 7th to 10th November 2011 i.e. next week. I had the idea of providing lunch to them during the four days they will be sitting for their examinations.

This is because I would like to save them the agony of walking a long distance to their homes whereby most of them miss lunch even if they go there. I sat with the teachers and contributed money that will cater for the relish. What we are kindly requesting from you is money to buy rice and other spices plus salt for the four days. I have 90 candidates assuming that 1 kg of rice feeds 4 people I will need around 23 kgs per day. The budget is as follows:

<i>23 kgs x 4 days x 100/ = per day kg.....</i>	<i>9,200 Kshs</i>
<i>Tomatoes, spices salt.....</i>	<i>1,000 Kshs</i>
<i>Miscellaneous.....</i>	<i>800 Kshs</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i><u>11,000 Kshs</u></i>

The idea that just £76 will feed 90 children for 4 days, so that they are not tired and hungry during their exams was a "no brainer" for us, so we duly dispatched the funds.. Once again within a few days receipts and photos arrived from Patrick.



Lunch is served!

Rotary Beer Festival

Back in September we were pleased to be nominated as beneficiaries of a Beer Festival held in Chesterfield by the Rotary Club of Bolsover. Five of us spent Friday evening and all day Saturday assisting on the bar as over 40 local beers and ciders were sampled and consumed. We are therefore pleased to announce that our efforts generated £500 for Kadzinuni. We are extremely grateful to Frank Hawkins and his fellow Rotarians for thinking of us and we hope to take part again next year.



800/= Daisy and Elaine serving ale

Thanks again to Crossdale

Once again the Friends of Kadzinuni are proud to have been chosen to benefit from the proceeds of the Annual Crossdale Drive Primary Fun Run. On Sunday 25th September hundreds of people young and old took part and helped raise over £250 for Kadzinuni.



Garage Sale Safari 2012

Back in May we collaborated with Transition Keyworth to organise this great community event in Keyworth. Over 70 people held Garage Sales on the same day and The Friends benefited from a £5 donation from each stall plus profit from sales of the stall maps. Some stalls even donated some of their profit to us. In total we raised over £700 and are aiming to run the event again in 2012 on Saturday 26th May.



Munga Tours update.....supporters from Keyworth visit Kadzinuni

The latest group of our supporters made the trip to Kenya in early October visiting Kadzinuni, meeting the students they sponsor and being given some extra tourist visits by our friend Alex Munga Munga... "Munga Tours!"



Julie, Barry & Renee meet the students they support

Thanks go to Julie, Barry and Renee for providing a few words and photographs of their memorable day..... Julie remarked on how welcoming the folk at Kadzinuni were. *"Everyone was friendly and polite and even though their homes are so basic, I was surprised how spotlessly clean and tidy everywhere was. The ground around their houses is just the bare soil, with chickens and goats roaming yet there was no litter or animal dropping to be seen. I was also quite humbled by their positive approach to their situation."*



Oh, how they loved to see themselves on video!

They are so very open about their own failings which they talked about although you could clearly see and feel that they aspire to improving their own lives; not want to be dependent upon outside support. Meeting the students we support was brilliant. It was lovely to talk to them about their progress at school and we could see how the opportunity our sponsorship provides is making a difference. We had a great time on safari, but if we return it will be because we are drawn to the people at Kadzinuni."



Meeting Maasai tribesmen on safari



At Kadzinuni Library with Jonnathan & Nurse Zipporah



Meeting children at Tumaini Childrens' Home (HIV/Aids Orphanage & school in Mombasa)

A typical day out to Kadzinuni for visitors staying at the tourist hotels in or near Mombasa includes:

- A short meeting with Alex Munga to plan your day
- Collection from your hotel after breakfast
- Travel by road to Kadzinuni in 1 hour, then 2-3 hours visit to Kadzinuni, touring the school & clinic and meeting local volunteers and school and clinic staff
- Light Lunch at Mnarani Club – set in a stunning location on Kilifi Creek looking out across the infinity pool to the Indian Ocean
- Travel back to Mombasa by road visiting the town of Takaungu (old slave trade location) and Jumba Ruins, including the " Mosque on the Beach" arriving at your hotel for a quick refreshing swim as night falls.

So, if you are planning a trip to Kenya let us know and we'll make the arrangements for you to visit Kadzinuni so you can see and touch the things we have provided and meet the lovely people whose lives we are improving. See the contact details on page 6

The Giving Machine

www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/

A few months ago we registered with an online shopping site called The Giving Machine. This allows you to shop at many top branded stores at great prices. The stores then donate a small percentage (you can see how much on each one as it varies from store to store) to a charity of your choice, so you can choose to support Kadzinuni in this way.

Christmas is coming so please consider shopping on line through the Giving Machine to help Kadzinuni. All funds generated through this for the next 6 months to be added to our Water Appeal.



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Kadzinuni student admitted to University

One of the first students we supported in 2006, John Tunje, completed his secondary education in the summer of 2010. He achieved great results and then embarked on a journey to try and continue his education at university. Initially he was hoping to study for a professional accounting qualification (ACCA) in Nairobi. Plans for this had to be abandoned so John started doing some casual teaching work in order to accumulate both experience and some money. By the spring of 2011 a new plan was coming together for him; he gained a place to study for a B.Com (Bachelor of Commerce) at Pwani University at Kilifi. John then contacted us to see if we could help. He had been able to save some money and felt able to commit to finding all his living costs leaving him in need of the course fees. John was interviewed by our partners at the Rotary Club of Bahari, to establish both his commitment and prospects. In the meantime we started to seek a sponsor for John. Having gained our confidence; signing with his parents a formal sponsorship agreement and with a sponsor found, John has been able to commence his course on 31st August 2011. We wish him luck and hope to be able to get regular updates from him as he progresses.



To find out how our student sponsorship scheme helps change young people's lives please see our website at www.kadzinuni.org.uk/adoptastudent.htm

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