

School-Aid UK

NEWSLETTER WINTER 2006/07

SEASON'S GREETINGS
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS
THANK YOU FOR YOUR
SUPPORT IN 2006

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CAPESPAN DELIVERS FINAL 2006 CONTAINER TO S.AFRICA

Late last August twenty-two pallets were delivered to Cape Town by **Capespan** for distribution to schools and projects in and around Cape Town.

As the pallets were being unloaded by Fresh Produce Terminals, School-Aid volunteers from the Rotary Club of the Kirstenbosch began the distribution to local schools and community groups. The shipment included books for the **Khanya Primary School, Grannies Against Poverty and AIDS and Klipdrift Primary School**, fabric and sewing materials for the **New World Foundation**, and cricket and football kit for **Sporting Chance**.

Urgently needed football kit, donated by **Kit-Aid** for **Ambassadors in Sport**, reached AIS just in time for their football event in early September.

TWO TWENTY FOOT CONTAINERS TO TANZANIA

On a hot day in late July, a container for the Tanga region of Tanzania was loaded on site by hard-working School-Aid volunteers at Hammer & Harp Farm. Thirteen pallets of books, furniture, and sports kit destined for six secondary schools, were kindly sponsored by the Hon. Hassan Kibelloh, former High Commissioner to the UK from Tanzania.

In October a second 20 foot container left the School-Aid warehouse, this time for Dodoma, Tanzania. The second container was requested by five secondary schools, and was again supported by the Hon. Hassan Kibelloh. Books and other equipment were also sent to two schools in Dodoma sponsored by the **VSO (Voluntary Service Overseas)**, a new partner for School-Aid in Tanzania.

PARTNER IN SOMALILAND

Working jointly with Lab-Aid, School-Aid has supplied science texts and stationery to accompany laboratory equipment for schools in Somaliland via charity group **SECCA** based in Bristol.

BOOKS TO SIERRA LEONE

The **Rotary Club of Ware** contacted School-Aid when they urgently needed primary reading books for a shipment to schools in Freetown. School-Aid was able to pack twenty boxes in time for the shipment that was flown out of Gatwick Airport in late October.

NEWSFLASH!

LORD'S FUNDRAISER SMASHES EXPECTATIONS!

The Pre-Ashes Dinner in the famed Long Room at Lord's has raised over £43,000 for School-Aid. Following a champagne reception in the Lord's Museum and a tour of the Media Centre, guests, including South African Test cricketer Graeme Pollock, were entertained by speaker Roger Knight, former Chief Executive of the MCC. The auction and raffle included some truly fantastic items all donated by generous supporters.

Although to date much of School-Aid's shipping costs have been sponsored by supporters in the UK and in Africa, the funds raised by the Lord's Dinner will allow us to expand and fund new projects where there is no sponsor available. These funds are also essential in running the collection and packing operation at the UK warehouse.

Our thanks to all the sponsors and guests for their fabulous support.



Chairman Joy Baker, Roger Knight and Sandra Jones (from left)

Building Partnerships with African Schools

LETTERS & CLIPPINGS

"I love my teacher very much. She works so hard to teach us. I want to say thank you for helping her to teach us."

- Zelda V, Upper Klipdrift Primary School, South Africa

"Thank you again. This really brightened the hearts of these farm children!"

- Principal Van Vuuren, Upper Klipdrift Primary School

"We distributed your books as prizes to 18 schools in Cape Town. The books will be placed in the libraries and be used by the children".

- Rotary Club of the Kirstenbosch, Cape Town

"Received the shipment of the beautiful goods and they are already in the Creche we built and the school – thank you very, very much!"

- Karl Langdon, Ulusaba, South Africa

"Schools helping schools"

- angels & urchins magazine, Winter '06, London

"Coming to the aid of schools"

- Bucks Advertiser/Examiner, 14th September

"Call for volunteers"

- Slough Observer, 4th August



Pupil from Umquele School, Johannesburg

WELCOME TO NEW VOLUNTEERS

School-Aid is delighted to welcome new volunteers Nina Cooke, Sarah Hampel, Sylvia Hughes, Eileen Richardson and Carl Spillett.

We are still looking for volunteers to fill the following roles: Drivers, and Warehouse Coordinators. Please ring the office if you would like more information.

NEW VAN FOR CHRISTMAS!

School-Aid is delighted to have received a grant from the Clothworkers' Foundation to fund the purchase of a new van for school collections. We would like to take this opportunity to thank The Clancy Group for our current School-Aid van with its giraffe logo applied by Pyramid Visuals and the Elm Lodge Garage.

We are also very grateful to the Oval Insurance Group for their ongoing sponsorship of the van insurance.



Volunteer driver David Tarn with volunteers from GE Healthcare

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

- VAN DRIVERS
- WAREHOUSE PACKERS
- PUBLICITY/EVENTS

PLEASE
RING MARTHA WARE
01753 883853

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS

THANK YOU TO OUR REGULAR SPONSORS

- Arighi Bianchi Furniture, Macclesfield
- Capespan and Cape Reefers, UK and South Africa
- The Clancy Group, UK
- The Entertainer, Little Chalfont and all national shops
- Fresh Produce Terminals, South Africa
- FastnFresh, South Africa
- The John Lewis Partnership, UK
- Oval Insurance, UK
- Rotary Club and Inner Wheel Clubs of the UK and South Africa
- Royal Grammar School, High Wycombe
- Wines of South Africa

Thank you to the 24 schools and organisations who have donated goods to School-Aid over the past three months. We are very grateful for your support.

For a complete list of all donating groups, please visit our website www.school-aid.org

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OPENING TIMES

WEDNESDAYS 10.00-15.00
THURSDAYS 10:00 - 15:00
OR BY APPOINTMENT

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