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January is a month of results and enrolment. Those who haven't made the grade will have the opportunity of a vocational course or an apprenticeship. Several children, originally from orphanages but who have left school for many reasons, have seen their peers perform well at school and have asked to be enrolled. Experiences on the streets have shown them that an education offers a future.

Five Years On...

The BTP started its first full year in January 2007 sponsoring five children through secondary school, three children through a mechanics course, two children through a tailoring course and many children through primary school. Five years on the headlines are that Donald is about to start Form VI (second year of A-Levels) while Yakobo is a fully fledged mechanic. The others have gained various levels of academic and vocational qualifications. In 2012, the BTP expects to sponsor 25 children through academic or vocational courses or through apprenticeships. The BTP started



supporting Sadicki in Standard IV at Illemela Primary, pictured in the photo (top left) in his brand new uniform. He is now about to embark on his nationally examined Form II secondary school course. Over the years he has been kitted out with uniforms, shoes, books, stationery and even a small desk and lamp to use in the evenings. He has had school meals, tuition fees and transport expenses as required. He popped in to see Ruth and Barry Clement each fortnight last semester for a chat and to earn some pocket money doing odd jobs. Without help he may not have finished primary school and would not have started secondary school. His C grade in the Form I exams is testament to the good work that the BTP is doing, and has been doing over the last five years.



Recent fundraising

Students at Plymouth College in the UK have worked hard over the last few months to raise funds for the BTP. Year 7 students have embarked on a series of fundraising activities to help sponsor a child in 2012. Several students have been busy selling Tanzanian bracelets while others have held a cake sale. One boy sold raffle tickets through the school rugby club with his brother's signed England rugby jersey as the star prize, while school musicians have donated the proceeds of their concerts to the BTP. Further projects are planned for the coming months.



A few words from... Ngussa Ntemi

My name is Ngussa Ntemi and I am 16 years old. I live at an orphanage in the Illemela district of Mwanza and I have just taken my national Form IV exams at Sunrise Secondary School. The exams were hard but I did my best and the results are out in February. My favourite subject is History, and I would like to continue studying this along with Geography, Swahili and English next year as A-Levels. When I'm older, I would like to be either a policeman or a secondary school teacher. When I'm not studying, I love to dance and listen to music. I also love football. My best friends are Yakobo, William and Marco. I don't have any relatives that I see anymore but I'm enjoying my life in Mwanza.



Thank you

Thank you for all donations made to the BTP. The funds raised make a huge difference to many children's lives giving them the opportunity of a bright future. While many more children may have been hoping for plentiful presents at Christmas, those sponsored through the BTP greatly value another year's education.

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