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Academic Courses

At the half way point in the school year, Form III students have now completed their mid-year exams and started Semester Two. The results are pleasing with Julius finishing 26th in his Year, Ngussa 16th and Sadicki 8th (pictured here). Marco has started extra Maths tuition to help him get to grips with the Form VI course and Mazera starts his Form V course (A-Levels) this month at Lake Secondary School.



Vocational Courses

The VETA students are making good progress at their various colleges. They took exams in June and are now undertaking Field Studies as part of their mechanics courses to make them more employable. Edward has done an excellent job at organising the others and keeping us up-to-date with developments. Having completed her Form IV studies at Sunrise Secondary School, Witness has applied for a place on the Primary School Teaching Course at Montessori College.

University Courses

University courses were too far in the future to think about when the BTP first started sponsoring primary school children in 2006. Now, two of the first children to benefit from BTP support have applied to university. Both Donald and Mary have applied for BEd courses which would see them qualify as secondary school teachers – both with an eye on employment. Before



starting at university they must complete a 3 month period of National Service in the second half of 2013.

An email from Mazera

I receive regular emails from the sponsored students with updates on their progress and words of thanks for the opportunities they have been given. They use money from their BTP subsistence allowance to keep in touch. How many UK teenagers would go without a meal so that they could afford to write a note of thanks? Here is one example:



Dear Ed - hi!

Hoping that you are doing good with your daily undertakings. With me I am well, proceeding with my Pre-Form V course expecting to join the Advance studies at Lake Secondary School.

I would like to thank you for what you're doing for me because I am really enjoying it and may God bless you.

Convey my greetings to those who know me.

Mazera Justine

Thank you

We continue to receive generous donations from individuals, other charities and schools in the UK and across the world. The children highlighted above are only able to continue with their studies as a result of this generosity. In particular, I would like to thank Jon Mears, Richard Palmer and David Green for their fundraising efforts. I would also like to thank Mr Mehta at Lake Secondary School for his help this year. Leah Gilliatt and the children and staff at Beaudesert Park School continue to provide wonderful support – thank you.

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