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THE YEAR IN SUMMARY

2015-16 has been a year of growth and increased depth in Global School Partners (GSP) activities. The year began well with granting of Deductible Gift Recipient status by the Australian Tax Office. This enabled the public official launch of GSP and an article in Canberra Weekly, followed by the first GSP Annual Dinner. In addition, in December CEO Simon Carroll elected to devote greater time and energy to GSP in 2016 onwards by exiting full time paid employment.

The GSP team which visited Kenya in January 2016 comprised of CEO Simon Carroll; Karen Western and Angela Sallecchia teachers at St Jude's Primary, ACT; Lizzy Collier teacher at Canberra Grammar School; Helen White pharmacist and health worker and Chloe Hoitink photographer and 'memory'. All schools, except Ikoba Primary, were visited and the Australian teachers



particularly enjoyed the time at their partner schools. A highlight was the professional development day held for all GSP schools Early Learning teachers. The Australian teachers conducted the training day which was exceptionally well received and the request was made for it to be a 3-day training next time. At the same time our health worker, Helen White, assisted by Lizzy Collier, trained the Health Officers in all GSP schools on basic first aid, including CPR. This was also very well attended and received and a thank you to Helen White for donating a first aid kit to each school. CGS Garran House donated funds and we were able to give each school a new soccer ball. In addition GSP provided a small quantity of chalk and some exercise books to all schools.

The first GSP annual dinner was held on 24 October 2015 at the Hellenic Club, Woden. This event was attended by 148 people and the evening was a great success, raising over \$20,000. Some of the evening highlights were a talk by Imogen and Paris McMahon about their GSP engagement and fund raising; the Tunamasi Drummers and Funky Fedoras Band and the

presentation of certificates of appreciation to each partner school. The event success was largely due to the fantastic job done by the GSP dinner committee who volunteered their time and expertise in planning and preparation.

IN KENYA two new positions were created with the commencement of the Well Being Officer roles in March 2016. These officers visit each GSP school and are required to engage with the sponsored students, view project, inspect and treat toilets and water facilities, continue health initiatives with the Health Officers and monitor school attendance and school concerns. Two officers are employed (Lonah Maiko and Moses Ndege) each on a part time basis and reports have been submitted monthly, providing valuable information and insight into conditions on the ground.

Projects completed in Kenya numbered 24 this financial year, with one being a universal project in all schools. This was the provision of chickens in each school to provide eggs and later meat for food, as well as the learning opportunity for students of caring for the birds, though many do this at home already.

2 new school relationships were added to the GSP family with St John the Apostle, ACT partnering with St George's Nyamira Academy and Penrith High School, NSW partnering with St Thomas Academy.

IN AUSTRALIA many schools conducted fundraising activities, enjoyed GSP presentations and engaged in letter writing between students. All Australian schools received GSP newsletters giving them an update on happenings in their partner school in Kenya.

Good Shepherd Primary ACT conducted a very innovative activity to increase cultural awareness and raise funds for their partner the School of Hope. They held a Walk for Hope day where students moved between seven activity stations including sampling ugali (the Kenyan staple food), carrying water and building a classroom.

CEO Simon Carroll was invited to launch the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia's new leadership breakfast talks with a presentation on GSP. In addition, he spoke to various groups and organisations, one of which being Bradley Allen Love Lawyers who are donating their fundraising proceeds to GSP in 2016. Bradley Allen Love staff also donated gifts which the team took to Kenya in January and distributed to children in Safehaven Orphanage.

CURRENT STATUS AT 30 JUNE 2016

17 schools in Kenya partnered with 17 schools in Australia.

1 school in Zimbabwe partnered with 1 school in Australia.

1 orphanage supported in Kenya, new formalised support arrangement.

87 students sponsored, increase of 29 students over last year.

24 projects completed 2015-16, bringing to a total of 112 projects since 2011.

FINANCIAL REPORT - SUMMARY*

Activity	2015-16	2014-15
Income		
Operational Income	-	1,520
School Projects	62,386	46,540
Sponsorship	41,256	22,882
Total Income	103,642	70,942
Funding Expenses		
School projects	33,047	54,085
Sponsorship	39,064	23,653
Well Being Officer	10,950	-
Total Funding Expenses	83,061	77,738
Gross Profit (Loss)	20,581	(6,796)
Other expenses		
Administration	574	-
Bank fees	20	490
Fundraising	5,000	992
Website Hosting	-	330
Total other expenses	5,594	1,812
Operating Profit	14,987	(8,608)
Other Income	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-
Net Profit(Loss)	14,987	(8,608)

^{*}P&L and Balance Sheet available on request.

CURRENT AND FUTURE PLANS

2016 GSP dinner planned for 10 September 2016.

Pharmacists Mark Naunton and Shane Jackson are walking Kokoda Trail in July 2016 and raising funds to provide water in GSP Kenya schools. GSP is using the GoFundraise web platform to facilitate the collection of funds.

Two volunteers are assisting with website updates (Portia Bellew) and the sponsorship program (Chris Melican).

Participation in Bradley Allen Love Lawyers 'Sweatworking' fundraiser on 18 October 2016.

GSP team to visit Kenya in January 2017 and include time to conduct extended professional development activities for teachers and health officers.

Continue the Well Being Officer program with some refinements.

A new school is expected to partner after a meeting in June between GSP CEO and the school in Canberra.

Australian schools have been receiving a formal newsletter update each term in 2016, and this will continue.

Australian sponsors are receiving regular updates on student progress and wellbeing, and this will continue.

A strategy of increased engagement with Australian schools and their students is planned with the production of a GSP 'mirror book' for each school. Fuji-Xerox are generously printing GSP collateral pro-bono, consequently each student in Australia will be receiving a GSP flyer to take home.

A strategy of approaching Australian schools to become partners will commence in 2017, with the Board to set appropriate target.

An Australian trial project to support literacy, numeracy and life skills for refugee families in Canberra will commence in August 2016.

The future plan of expanding into other countries, including Asia, is still a Board agenda and early-stage plans are in place for this to occur.

Canberra Sunshine Academy

Partnered with Canberra Girls Grammar School Junior (CGGS)

Canberra Sunshine Academy (CSA) is going from strength to strength and is looking to add boarding facilities, as the school has received enquiries and requests from a number of students out of the catchment area.

The highlight this visit was the donation by CGGS Jnr of \$10 per pupil to buy a gift pack for each student at CSA. The contents were sourced in Kisii and CSA students armed with a plastic bag each received sugar, soap, pencils, pens, exercise books, crayons and a T-shirt.

All sponsored students were interviewed and given Christmas presents.

Project	Donor
Water tank and guttering	CGGS Jnr
Tent and chairs	Private donor
Classroom construction and	CGGS Jnr
furnishings	
Container goods	CGGS Jnr
Water tank and guttering	CGGS student
Classroom construction	CGGS Jnr
Double storey classroom	CGGS Jnr
Desks	CGGS Jnr
Toilets	CGGS Jnr
Text and exercise books	CGGS Jnr
Electricity	CGGS Jnr
Hand washing stations	Private donor
Container goods	CGGS Jnr
Desks	CGGS Jnr
Toilets	CGGS student
Fence and gate	CGGS student
Text books	CGGS Jnr
2 computers and a printer	CGGS Jnr
Gift bag for each student	CGGS Jnr









Charcha Academy Esamba – now Garthill Academy

Partnered with St John Vianney Primary School

Garthill Academy visit coincided with the 'graduation' ceremony for the Baby Class of 2015, as those students now entered Class 1 in 2016. GSP team member Helen White, who had funded the 2015 classrooms at the school, was the guest of honour and presented the certificates to the students. No projects were undertaken in the school and contact with St John Vianney has been minimal.

The school benefited from 7 new sponsored students this year. One sponsored student completed year 8 in 2015 and is now in senior school and the sponsor has continued to support her.

Project	Donor
Water tanks x 2 and guttering	Private donor
Desks	Private donor
Office and classroom walls	Private donor
Electricity	Private donor
Classroom roof	Private donor
Container goods	St John Vianney
Hand washing stations	Private donor
4 brick classrooms	Private donor
Container goods	St John Vianney
Toilets	Private donor









Charcha Academy Kiomanga

Partnered with Cabramatta Public Primary School

Charcha Academy Kiomanga has started to build new toilets, which are much needed. The project is incomplete at time of writing, with the hole dug and waiting on construction of the building and laying of the slab.

Project	Donor
Water tank and guttering	Private donor
Classroom completion – flooring, windows and doors	Cabramatta Public
Gate and fence for water security	Private donor
Hand washing stations	Private donor
Container goods	Cabramatta Public
Further classroom completion	Cabramatta Public
Toilets	Private donor







Ikoba DEB Primary School

Partnered with Cabramatta West Primary School

Ikoba DEB Primary School disappointed the GSP team in January as the Principal and teachers did not participate in any of the group meetings or training opportunities. The school was not visited in January by the GSP team.

The school is being visited by the Well Being Officers and will be participating in the chicken project.

Project	Donor
Electricity	Private donor
Container goods	Cabramatta West
Hand washing stations	Private donor
Toilets	Cabramatta West
Container goods	Cabramatta West



Kerobe Joybright Academy

Partnered with Latham Primary School

The school is proud of its new buildings and the student numbers are growing again, so hopefully the destruction of the school when the road was put in is now a thing of the past.

The water tanks were retained and have now been installed at the school, a fence has been erected. The GSP team was treated to a school flag ceremony and we witnessed their lunch program for students.

The school benefitted from 4 new sponsored students.

Project	Donor
Water tanks x2 with guttering	Private donor
3 classrooms	Latham Primary
Container goods	Latham Primary
Classroom dividing walls	Private donor
Text books, chairs	Private donor
Hand washing stations	Private donor
Container goods	Latham Primary
Brick classrooms x 4	Private donors
Brick classrooms x 4	Private donors
Fence and relocate water tanks	











St Joseph's Academy

Partnered with St Clare of Assisi Primary School

St Joseph's Academy undertook their first GSP projects this year and received 3 sponsorships. The first project was the supply of text books, others included the repair of classroom walls and floors and the installation of a water tank.

Project	Donor
Text books	St Clare of Assisi
Classroom repairs	St Clare of Assisi
Water tank	Private donor









Nyamira Boys High School

Partnered with James Meehan High School

Nyamira Boys High School has a new principal who seems to be very proactive and the school is progressing well. In late 2015 one of the dormitories burnt down and we inspected the site, fortunately no one was injured, but many boys lost all their belongings.

The school received funds for some new beds from partner school James Meehan High School, but are still in a difficult situation with limited space.

Project	Donor
Water tank and guttering	James Meehan
Toilets	Private donor
Container goods	James Meehan
Desks and chairs	James Meehan
Toilets	Private donor
Desks and chairs	James Meehan
Hand washing stations	Private donors
Container goods	James Meehan
Beds	James Meehan









Nyamusi Girls Secondary School

Partnered with Cabramatta High School

Nyamusi Girls Secondary School has had a change of principal. The school is progressing well, but struggles with security to keep the girls safe.

Previously GSP had supplied chairs for the dining room so students did not have to eat standing up and this year partner school Cabramatta High funded the purchase of dining hall tables.

Project	Donor
Beds – triple deckers	Private donor
Desks and chairs	Cabramatta High
Beds – triple deckers	Cabramatta High
Container goods	Cabramatta High
Chairs for dining room	Cabramatta High
Hand washing stations	Private donor
Chairs for dining room	Cabramatta High
Container goods	Cabramatta High
Dining hall tables	Cabramatta High







Obwororo Academy

Partnered with Arawang Primary School

Obwororo Academy elected to receive a large supply of exercise books with funds donated by Arawang P&C in late 2015. This has enabled all students to have sufficient exercise books for the whole of 2016.

In addition, we saw the cows and chickens that provide milk and eggs to supplement the boarder's diet.

Project	Donor
Chairs for dining hall	Arawang Primary
Water tank	Private donor
Exercise books and education	Arawang Primary
resources	
Container goods	Arawang Primary
Beds	Arawang Primary
Water tank	Arawang Primary
Windows and doors on hall	Private donor
Hand washing stations	Private donor
Container goods	Arawang Primary
Cement floor for the hall	Arawang Primary
Electricity	Arawang Primary
Bulk exercise book supply	Arawang Primary







Riamabana Orphanage Academy

Partnered with St Joseph's Primary School

Getting to Riamabana this year posed our greatest risk on the roads so far. There was unseasonably high rainfall in January 2016 and the first approach we made to the school brought us to an impassable road where a large tea truck was literally stuck in the mud. An alternative route enabled us to get to the school, but not before sliding off the road into a mud bank – no one was injured and the van suffered minor damage. Riamabana also benefited from 5 new sponsored students.

Project	Donor
Beds	St Josephs
Toilets	Private donor
Container goods	St Josephs
Electricity	St Josephs
Emergency feeding program	St Josephs
Text books	St Josephs
Library/office and classrooms	St Josephs and Private donor
Hand washing stations	Private donor
Cow	St Josephs
Container goods	St Josephs
Brick classrooms	Private donors
Kitchen	Private donors
Brick classrooms completed	St Josephs
Brick classroom uncompleted	St Josephs







Riamajeshi Bright Start Academy

Partnered with Canberra Grammar School, Garran House.

Riamajeshi Academy was a special school to visit for GSP team member Lizzy Collier who teaches at CGS. We were treated to a welcome assembly and traditional dancing by the students, before sharing a meal with the teachers and then interacting with students in class and in the school grounds.

Riamajeshi has benefitted from 5 new sponsored students.

Project	Donor
Water tank and guttering	CGS Garran House
Beds	CGS Garran House
Beds – triple deckers	CGS Garran House
Desks and chairs	CGS Garran House











School of Hope

Partnered with Good Shepherd Primary School

The School of Hope continues to progress and this year benefitted from the completion of another brick classroom. The teachers at partner school Good Shepherd Primary had donated money for GSP to give the students at SoH a party – which we did. Good Shepherd had also given a statuette of a shepherd to be presented to SoH. SoH was the venue for the now famous 3 legged race!

Project	Donor
Water tanks x 3 and guttering	Good Shepherd
Classroom	Private donor
Text books and educational resources	Private donor
Classroom finishing	Good Shepherd
Toilets	Good Shepherd
Container goods	Good Shepherd
Text and exercise books, stationery	Good Shepherd
Classroom	Private donor
Hand washing stations	Private donor
Container goods	Good Shepherd
Classroom	Good Shepherd
Classroom supplies	Good Shepherd











Surgeon Primary Academy

Partnered with St Jude's Primary School

Surgeon Primary was a special school to visit for two of the GSP team, Karen Western and Angela Sallechia, who teach at partner school St Jude's Primary in ACT. The visit started with the team being welcomed by the entire school at the front entrance and progressed to a school assembly. Angela and Karen were given the role of officially opening the new classroom funded by St Jude's Primary. The teachers were given a tour of the school and spent the afternoon engaging with the students and Surgeon teachers.

Project	Donor
Water tank and guttering	St Jude's
Classrooms x 3 and roofing	St Jude's
Text books and educational resources	Private donor
Toilets x4 for boys	Private donor
Container goods	St Jude's
Toilets x 4 for girls	St Jude's
Classrooms x 2	Private donor
Library /office	St Jude's
Hand washing stations	Private donor
Container goods	St Jude's
Brick classroom	St Jude's
Brick classroom	St Jude's









Tabaka Academy

Partnered with Amaroo School

Tabaka Academy achieved their first sponsored student this year, and they are using sponsorship to bring new students into their school, who are otherwise leaving the education system.

Tabaka Academy is very progressive and introduce innovative systems and facilities. This year with the assistance of their partner school they have installed a generator so students can study at night and boarders can have electric power, even when one of the area's frequent power outrages occurs. The school also finished the upstairs classroom and it was deemed the best in the district and used by the district officials for Class 8 examinations for students from all nearby schools. They have invested in the chicken project to supplement their other food projects – cows, beans, sukoma wiki, fish, corn, fruits. The school has taken a loan and bought a bus to transport pupils to school each day, if they live too far to walk.

Project	Donor
Water tank and guttering	Amaroo School
Verandas and classroom entrances	Amaroo school
Container goods	Amaroo School
Double story classrooms	Amaroo School and private donor
Hand washing stations	Private donor
Container goods	Various
Brick classroom	Amaroo School
Toilets	Private donor
Generator	Amaroo School







Takima Academy

Partnered with Sacred Heart Primary School

Takima Academy had very few students present when we visited, the explanation being that because of the heavy rains many students were at home helping to harvest crops.

The student numbers have increased but GSP is unsure how viable the school's situation is at present. The school has been operating for over 20 years.

Project	Donor
Water tanks x 2 and guttering	Sacred Heart
Text books and educational resources	Private donor
Classroom construction	Private donor
Water pump for the well	Private donor
Container goods	Sacred Heart
Classrooms / hall	Sacred Heart
Text and exercise books	Sacred Heart
Hand washing stations	Private donor
Education resources and text books	Sacred Heart
Chairs	Private donor
Container goods	Sacred Heart
Beds and mattresses	Sacred Heart









St Thomas' Academy

Partnered with Penrith High School

St Thomas Academy commenced its partnership with Penrith High School and almost immediately was in crisis with heavy rains literally washing away classrooms, destroying blackboards and ruining desks. The partner school and a private donor reacted immediately and restoration work was undertaken, so the school could continue to function. In addition, Baby Class resources were provided. Recently a water tank has been provided and toilets are in the process of being built.

Project	Donor
Emergency building repairs	Penrith High and Private donor
Emergency resource repairs – blackboards, desks	Penrith High and Private donor
Baby Class resources	Penrith High
Water tank	Private donor
Toilets – under construction	Penrith High







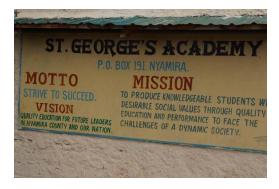




St George's Nyamira Academy

Partnered with St John the Apostle Primary

This is a very new partnership and at 30 June no projects have been undertaken.













Safehaven Orphanage

Supported by GSP and private donors

This orphanage is run by Steve and Margy Stephenson and started when they rescued a child who they found living on the streets. The orphanage has grown and now has 36 children and 2 additional staff. This year they outgrew their premises and moved out of town where they have built a home for these children and have space to grow food. Steve and Margy's vision is to provide a genuine home environment for these children, and all the children attend local schools.

This year they were supported through gifts from Bradley Allen Love Lawyers staff and food provision from Helen White while we were in Kenya, and will ongoing funds for food.



















GSP PROJECTS - ZIMBABWE

Jabulani Primary School

Partnered with Hunter Valley Grammar School

GSP activities in Zimbabwe commenced in 2013 and the operations are run by Brian and Pam Ness.

The University of Newcastle has two committed academics who have visited Jabulani School twice as they work to create a teacher training program to up skill teachers. Jann and Simon Carroll visited the University of Newcastle when they had an exhibition day following the trip to Zimbabwe by a group of preservice teachers.

Project	Donor
Teacher training	University of Newcastle
Playground	Private donors













