

# **GSP News Sept 2023**

## Latest from Kenya

We had a great trip to Kenya in June-July this year, it was so good to get back there after the pandemic.

Changes to the Kenyan education system in early 2023 has put pressure on all schools. Unfortunately a couple of our schools have been so severely affected that they no longer have enough students to be viable.

We held 2 fabulous events for all sponsored children and their parents/guardians, we called it Christmas-in-July! We had jumping castles, pony rides, great food and a chance to meet each family. We also visited all schools to meet all the students and teachers.

### Kenya Trip

We visited all the GSP schools in Kenya in July - first trip since January 2020. It was fantastic to see them all again. There are significant challenges

### **Challenges**

The cost of living has skyrocketed driven by the pandemic, lack of food coming from Ukraine and rising taxes. The radical change to the education system.





#### **Positives**

The school Directors are well motivated and working as a team.
Our remaining schools are in a strong position to thrive.

## What's happening at your school

Obwororo Academy has added grade 9 and is now classified as a Junior Secondary School. This has been positively accepted in the community and their student numbers are growing.

The change to Junior Secondary status means that they now have to establish a science laboratory, further develop their computer capabilties, and provide boarding facilities for boys.

Obwororo Academy has a large number of students from low socioeconomic backgrounds who are needing <u>sponsorship</u> to enable them to stay in school.

Director Martin sends his greetings to all at Amaroo School and asked me to pass on his sincere and heartfelt thanks for your support.

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