



# 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 they face.

### 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.

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## What's happening at your school

Vine True Academy has been affected by the educational changes and the fact that the Director George suffered a severe stroke during Covid. He is still not able to speak, has no movement in his right arm and needs support to walk with a crutch.

The challenges means that Vine True is seeking to improve its learning environment with new classrooms to replace the iron sheet and wooden ones as it rebuilds its student numbers.

Vine True Academy is in remote location and has a large number of students from very low socio-economic backgrounds who are needing sponsorship to enable them to stay in school.

Director George sends his greetings to all at St Thomas Aquinas and asked me to pass on his sincere and heartfelt thanks for your support.

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