

TUWAPENDE WATOTO

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- Since the beginning of this year, all younger children are attending our own primary school. This represents an important saving in terms of school fees and transport costs.
- Jackson has completed primary school. Like Prisca, Cecilia and Nevius, he now attends a boarding secondary school. Gloria started the Montessori Teachers College. We are confident that this is well invested money for the future.
- We are planning to expand the main building with an additional 4-meter unit. This will result in a larger kitchen and TV room. Several options are still being evaluated, but we expect this project to be completed by the end of this year.
- By the end of 2012 we purchased additional land. This plot is a 5-10 minute walk from our premises and will serve for growing fruit and vegetables. On the long term we also consider using the land to develop a vocational training unit.
- Festo, who has been our employee for many years got married on February 9th. We wish the spouses Festo and Irene all the best and happiness for their future.

School

- The expansion of schooling activity up to Grade 6 at the beginning of 2013 has been a great success. There are now 198 registered pupils at our school.
- A new bus was purchased at the beginning of this year and an additional driver, Alfred, was hired. A third bus is to be delivered in the next weeks.
- All work on the surroundings have been completed. Thanks to the abundant rain in March-April the whole area has turned green.
- A volleyball net and a basketball hoop have been installed.
- New teachers joined the team: Winniefrida Ruhusa and Noel Maila.
- Thanks to specific donations we received a digital piano and several music instruments on which the children will be taught in the near future.

On behalf of the children and the Foundation Board we thank you for the generous support.

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The new school amphitheatre has been completed.



Headmistress Emmaculate Mleke (front, 2nd from left) and her primary teacher team.



Given the expanded schooling activity and numerous new pupils, we decided to purchase an additional bus.



Morning assembly in front of the new school amphitheatre.



After the abundant rainfall, there is lush green and colourful flowers in front of the main building of the home. We are planning to enlarge this building by a 4-meter unit.



Our newly purchased land plot in the vicinity of our premisses.



Aisha (center) and other TW children having an improvised session with percussionists at the Drums market in Bagamoyo.



Thanks to a generous donation, we now own different music instruments on which the children will be taught in the near future.



Mama Selina and Dada Prisca preparing food the African way.



Swiss-Tanzanian friendship: National flags on the TW school premises.



Julius, Petro, Kelvina and Vanessa on the school playground on a Sunday afternoon.



New plants will grow soon.



Festo and Irene during their wedding.