



# Building Brighter Futures Newsletter – 6th Edition

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## It's our 5th Birthday!



£57,000 in 5 Years!

Thank You Everyone

As you can see above our aim of raising £3000 a year (which seemed impossible at the time) has turned into a fantastic sum of money for the young people in Uganda and still it continues. Our 'headline' story could only be what you are about to read and we never fail to be touched by the kindness and support we have received from so many people and organisations. This is Jacob's and William's story ...



Jacob and William aged 7 and 4 are the grandchildren of David and June Cooper, two of BBF's trustees. They wanted to help BBF as it was their grandparent's charity and thought it would be a good idea to sell some of their unwanted toys, however when they started to sort them out they realised they didn't want to part with them! Not beaten they decided to have a cake sale, selling to their friends and neighbours from their house and with Mum's help they set about baking cakes and writing up a price list – cakes and hot cross buns 10p, juice and ice-pops 5p, toast and tea and coffee (dearer for adults of course). The day was such a success that they asked their school teachers if they could do the same at school. For a second time they helped Mum bake and they did it all again, raising a fantastic amount of £80.00 which they presented to their Grandparents at their Ruby wedding anniversary celebrations, much to the delight and applause of everyone present. WELL DONE BOYS WE ARE ALL PROUD OF YOUR ACHIEVEMENT.

### Ruby Wedding Celebrations

Dave and June's Ruby Wedding was on 31<sup>st</sup> March and they celebrated in style by inviting family and friends to a dinner dance at the Reigate Manor Hotel on 3<sup>rd</sup> April. They requested no presents but if anyone wished to make a donation to BBF, every penny would be welcomed. The result astounded everyone and the occasion raised over £1200 towards the school projects planned for next year. Our belated congratulations and thanks to a great couple. You see – marriage does work!!



### London to Brighton Cycle Ride

By the time you read this Anna Lass and Peter White will have taken part in the London to Brighton cycle ride with over 27000 other cyclists. Prior to the race they had only ever cycled 20 miles. We look forward to hearing how they did throughout the 54 miles and if you would like to make a donation on their behalf please contact Anna on [annarlass@hotmail.com](mailto:annarlass@hotmail.com) or 07816 866782. We will update you with how they did in our next newsletter. Please support their efforts.

Curry and Rock night featuring Bristol's finest covers band:  
"In A Jiffy"

All proceeds are in aid of projects for The Kavule School for the Deaf, Uganda and The Bukeka Children's Centre, Uganda.

For Tickets  
Phone  
01483  
894596  
or 01483  
454678

£10 per head includes Curry supper

**"HOT ROCK"**

Entry by advance ticket sales only

Fully Licensed Bar.

Saturday  
15<sup>th</sup> August  
2009  
7.30-  
11.00pm

In a Jiffy!

Shalford Village Hall; Kings Road; Shalford GU4 3JX

Cheques made payable to 'Building Brighter Futures'

## 2010 Visit to Uganda

Our next trip is planned for Easter 2010 when around 24 of us will be returning to the schools where we will be undertaking some new projects. As always this means we will have to raise more funds and as you can see from the poster above Michelle Gardner, one of our contingent, is already onto it by organising a fabulous rock evening to include a curry supper. Come and join us and we can have fun and raise money at the same time.

## 100 Club

We are now well into our second year of fund raising through the **BBF 100 Club**. It has been remarkably well supported by people, some of whom have bought two or three shares. We are most grateful to them and hope their generosity pays dividends. There are only 16 unsold shares, so if you are not yet a member, please seriously consider becoming one. Every draw takes place during the Farnham Scout Fellowship's monthly meeting and the ball is drawn by a different guest each time. £5 a month gives you a chance of winning the £100 each month and £300 in the Christmas draw. The results of the monthly draw are shown on our website but for information here are the winners for the last 6 months.

Dec 2008	-	Christmas Special Share Number 50
Dec 2008	-	£100 share number 18
Jan 2009	-	£100 share number 33
Feb 2009	-	£100 share number 46
Mar 2009	-	£100 share number 57
Apr 2009	-	£100 share number 67
May 2009	-	£100 share number 31

All **BBF 100 Club** administration costs are sponsored, ensuring all monies raised go directly to each of the schools and children in Uganda.

Contact Marion Stagg [marion@stagg.org.uk](mailto:marion@stagg.org.uk) who will send you details of how to join. You can also download an application form from our website on the front page.

## A computer for Sam and Kavule School

Sam and the teachers at Kavule School for the Deaf are delighted to receive a brand new computer which has been donated by Dr Elizabeth Feldman from Illinois in the USA. Dr Feldman has been in touch with us recently and we have worked in partnership with her on nominating Sam for an award from The World of Children Organisation in America. If successful there are a number of ways in which Sam and the school may benefit.



We are continuing to liaise with Sam, keeping up with the school news and helping to identify possible projects to be undertaken on our next visit.

## Sponsorship

We have made some changes to the way in which we organise the sponsorship scheme and all sponsors have been informed. As a result we are now able to sponsor 43 out of 45 pupils at Kavule. Whilst no children will miss out we have now decided to sponsor Bukeka School as a whole and not individual children, basically it means that Bukeka will still receive the equivalent amount of money it has always received.

## Bukeka School

Next year Bukeka School is to become our main focus and we are hoping to start a similar EGGS project for Livingstone as we have done at Kavule, where the sale of eggs is now beginning to earn them some income.

We are delighted to announce that Haslemere Rotary Club has adopted us as their charity for the coming year. Our sincere thanks go to them for their gesture and we look forward to keeping them in touch with progress at each of the schools.

## Thanks

Once again we thank you all for your support – it simply could not be done without you.

And finally ...

In the pursuit of happiness half the world is on the wrong scent. They think it consists in having and getting, and in being served by others. Happiness is really found in giving and in serving others.

Henry Drummond (1851-1897)