



Community Projects in Rural Areas

Sanyati School Support Project

St Charles Primary School

Headmistress – Mrs Manyadza

Deputy Head – Mrs Chagonda

Number of Pupils – 553

(avg 150 pupils don't return to school each year - lack of fees)

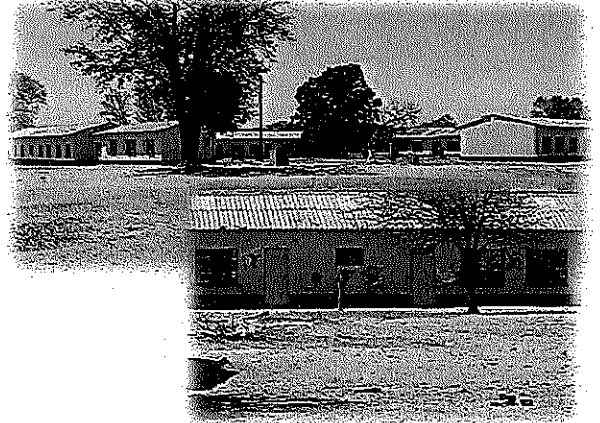
Boys – 239 Girls – 277

Early Childhood Development (ECD) (Reception) – 73

Orphans & Vulnerable Children (OVC) – 88

Children Living with Disabilities – 14

Average Class Size – 42



St Charles Primary School is situated 10km from our Centre in Ward 11 Sanyati, Zimbabwe. The school has 5 classroom blocks with 2 to 3 classrooms per block. Several of the blocks have trouble with the roofs, holes/damaged. They lack classroom furniture, chairs and tables for both teachers and pupils. However, they are doing an amazing job in challenging circumstances.

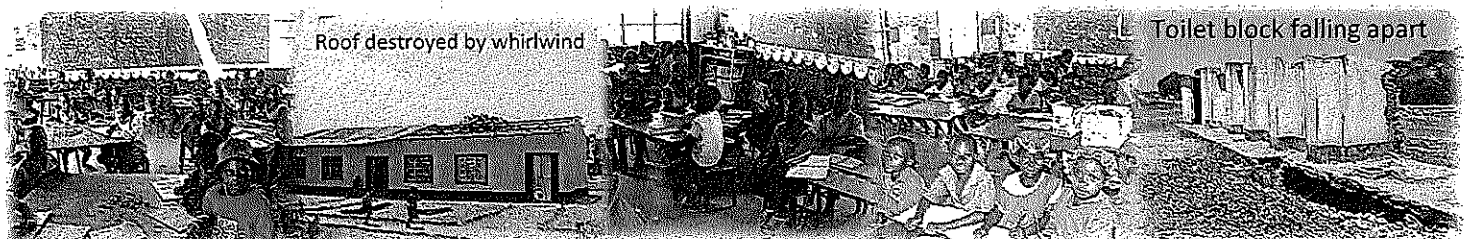
At present, they cannot enrol children living with a physical disability, as their facilities do not allow it, but it is something they would like to do along with also building a cultural centre, to teach children about their history and customs.

They have electricity (when the supply is available) and 8 computers but cannot use them as they need 20 to be given a teacher. So their pupils are behind other schools in I.T skills, which is being encouraged in schools nationally. They require two computer classrooms too.

Their priority is to have a reliable water source. There is a well but it dries up especially in dry season, July to October. They lack water for drinking and washing and this is also limiting other school projects i.e. produce, poultry and honey production, profits from which would go to help pay fees for the OVC.

The school encourages sports, soccer, netball, basketball & tennis but lacks the facilities, equipment, balls & uniform. Also in 2017, the school curriculum was changed and although this seems like a really good curriculum, the biggest problem for the schools we are working with, is that they have no resources to teach it, no text books or teachers' guides.

St Charles Primary School is now linked with Busbridge Junior School and both schools look forward to sharing ideas, learning from each other, teaching the children about their different cultures amongst other things.





Children's School Sponsorship Project 2019-2020

In Zimbabwe it is not free to go to school, it costs from \$20 a term at Primary School and from \$50 a term at Secondary School (not including uniform, books, pens etc.). Many orphans and vulnerable children's guardians struggle to afford these fees and many children are forced to either drop out of school or not even start their education.



Every child deserves a chance to learn, a chance to change their lives. Education is the best chance they have, for some it is just a dream.

We are working with many orphans and vulnerable children to assist with their school fees, provide them uniform along with exercise books and pens. At St Charles Primary School, a school linked with Busbridge Junior School, there are 553 students, 88 being orphans and vulnerable children and of those 88, 14 are living with disabilities. Please help us by donating to our children's school sponsorship project fund and give them that chance and hope for their future.



By donating to the fund, you will get photos and updates on the children's progress, a letter from them at least once a year and the opportunity to write to one or more in return if you so wish. Their school year runs from January to December with term holidays in April, July and December.

Alongside our sponsorship project, we also see it vitally important that we work with the children's guardians. Helping them start sustainable income generating projects, that will enable them to improve their standard of living, to feed themselves, produce income and afford to pay the school fees. At the end of the 2 year programme, we would love to be able to tell you that the children no longer need your sponsorship, as the family can now afford to pay themselves. We can then go on and sponsor more children that are in similar need.



If you would like to donate towards this fund please complete and return your form to Mrs Stephanie Lucas at Busbridge Junior School. If you would like more information on our income generating projects, please contact us by email at ratidzotrust@gmail.com

Thank you, you are helping to change lives.

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CHILDREN'S SCHOOL SPONSORSHIP GUIDELINES & SPONSOR FORM

Section 1: Responsibilities of Applicant:

- 1) Maintain consistent attendance of school
- 2) Demonstrate academic commitment (work hard, improve and maintain good grades)
- 3) Write at least 1 letter to sponsor per year
- 4) Attend any out of school holiday clubs run by the Trust

Section 2: Responsibilities of Parent/Guardian:

- 1) Require student to attend all school days
- 2) Encourage and assist with student's academic work
- 3) Join the Trust's community project scheme

Section 3: Responsibilities of the School:

- 1) Report student's progress each term to the Trust (via term progress report form)
- 2) To contact the Trust first before sending student home if fees related

Section 4: Responsibilities of the Sponsor:

- 1) Submit payment per year before 1st January
- 2) Write 1 (short) letter per year to the student (if they so wish)
- 3) Contact the Trust should they wish to send/donate anything additional to the child/family

We would like to donate to the school sponsorship project fund for:

1 Year £50 Full 2 Year programme Ongoing until further notice

Additional donation of £ to support the families.

Name..... Address

Signature.....

Tel

Please pay direct by bacs or standing order to

Barclays Bank

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