



**The Indigo Project - Gambia**

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### **Happy New Year**

We are looking forward to the new year as the charity has been busy over the last two years supporting the Janet School with the building of the school to allow children to continue to age 16. Last year we took 8 volunteers to paint the new build.

We are currently fund raising to build bricks during the next visit with a volunteers group April 2017.

Thank you to Rossendale group for supporting two young people with their fundraising, so far have raised over £1300 to enable them to participate on the next visit.



This was the start of the build 2014... “Domonding domonding’ as they say in Gambia! Meaning ‘slowly slowly’

Last visit saw eight volunteers going to Gambia to paint the completed first section of the build.



Thank you to all the volunteers that helped with the school painting!  
If you wish to take part in a volunteering, we go each year for two weeks with a group - please contact the charity on:





Over 50 school packs were given out to the sponsor children -  
We currently sponsor 50 children between the two schools.

5 Boxes of books and toys donated to the Janet School



We currently sponsor 17 children through the Janet School, 3 children have moved on to other schools as the upper classes were not available for them. The charity continues to support children once they are sponsored, ensuring education is continued. There are currently 7 children needing an individual sponsor at the Janet school, this costs £150 per year (£12 a month) this provides two uniforms and the equipment needed for a good education... all teachers at this school are to a high standard.



If you do wish to sponsor at the Janet school, we visit twice a year and the children are known personally to us so it is easy to exchange letters and photographs.

May I take this opportunity to thank all of you that have sponsored through us, some of you for five years. It very much is appreciated, your continued support allows us to help more children.



Generie village is three hours inland, we currently sponsor 35 children to go to school here. It costs £40 per year and this goes on providing school rucksacks and stationary and giving the family money for the school uniform. It is not as easy to have contact with these children unfortunately as we visit very briefly due to the heat. It is usually about 40c inland so really is a flying visit.

Last two visits our friend in Gambia, who's mother is originally from the village took the school supplies.

This year, the sponsorship money will provide the school equipment needed, buy a uniform and any additional will buy some bags of rice for the nursery school to supply school dinners.



## **Fundraising events**

We are fundraising between now and April to help support some young people from Moray to take part in the next work group.

**20th February** - Film Night showing 'The Blues Brothers' at the little theatre Nairn.

**20th March** - Film Night. Film TBC

February a 40 mile sponsored cycle ride

**RagBag** - We are always collecting clothing and shoes. Some will go to The Gambia and others weighed in to raise funds. Last year we raised over £500

**Whist Drive** - Rona Harvey continues to do this every six weeks, making sandwiches and serving. Making over £400 a year. Thank you Rona.

## **Goals of the year**

- Get the children sponsored whose sponsored were unable to continue with sponsorship academic school year 16/17
- Raise £2000 to finish the build of another school year.
- Look into funding options to purchase the land that the Janet school is on to ensure sustainability of the school as it is currently rented.
- Provide Generic with bags of rice for a term at the nursery.

Many thanks form all at The Indigo Project. Please do keep up to date with events on the Facebook page or if you would like to take part in any events or future trips, please contact us on:

Best wishes

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