



THANK YOU FROM ALL OF US!

10th Anniversary Edition!! May 2008 - May 2018

A message from the Founding Trustee of Vipingo Village Fund
Carol Hardman

WOW! WOW! WOW!

This is definitely a time for celebration!

Who would have thought we would be celebrating 10 years of amazing growth, achievement, challenges and development! Ours has been a journey of extraordinary dedication and, in many ways, when I look back over the early years, life was incredibly simple, and I miss them. Sometimes I think we have created a monster – a monster that has a life all of its own, a life that devours and consumes those who have dedicated their lives to it. Peter, who spent all his time worrying about the future of the charity and who appears to have passed the baton to me.

Our supporters, Trustees, Good Will Ambassadors, all of whom support us in so many ways. My family, who have all made a significant contribution to our future in terms of holding fundraisers, introducing us to other avenues of revenue and finally to Tim, who has joined me in the last three years protecting and nurturing both the present and the future of the Vipingo Village Fund...the unsung General Dogsboddy!

VVF sort of grabs one and won't let you go. There is simply too much to lose and we fully intend to be here for the next ten years, and the next, and beyond. It's such a valuable asset to the community of Vipingo and we are producing some outstanding students who are leaving us to spread the word that we value them and education – *it changes nations!*



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- We really can't do it without you!

Please DONATE NOW!

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Original School



When we were just starting out – a rented room, 23 children and 2 teachers.



A PICTORIAL HISTORY OF FUTUE HOPE MONTESSORI SCHOOL



The first stage of the new school

2010 2011

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VIPINGO VILLAGE

2008-20018

The second stage
2012-2013
3 more classrooms,
store & library



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Opening Litherland
Block
2013-2014

It consists of classroom, sick bay
ICT lab and science room

Third stage Adventure Playground & The Wall 2012- 2013

The Adventure Playground

HAVING 'SUCH FUN!'



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The upper classroom



Peter and me, together with Urte from Vipingo e.V.
inspecting the largest classroom in the school, part of
Litherland Block

Fourth stage Building the Kindergarten 2014-2015



Yummy food, one of the 350 meals the cooks prepare every day.....including over Christmas!



We now have a school that has 140 children, 28 staff 7 classrooms, kindergarten, science lab, an IT lab, sick bay, kitchen, dining room, office library and store. Not bad when you consider that we started out 'just helping a few children with their uniforms!'

THE LIBRARY

Circle time! Always very popular



Highs & Lows

In this special edition it seems churlish to even mention any lows, but running an institution like Future Hope, it would be unrealistic not to encounter some frustrations and setbacks....usually, it must be said, emanating from Government officialdom!

- We said goodbye to our first Standard 8 children. They have left us well prepared to start their next journey through Secondary School. Several of them are being held up as exemplary students, smart, helpful individuals who are a real credit to both themselves and us! They also achieved some of the highest marks in Kenya in their National leaving exams.
- We have introduced Adult Literacy & basic numeracy and now have some 15 mature students who have passed their Proficiency exams, which means they can now go on to attend further education and get a job!
- Our boys' football team won the Watoto Football trophy, a national competition. They were also runners-up in the International football competition held in Nairobi beating off competition from teams across East Africa.
- Our teachers have all got their heads around the new curriculum and are becoming maestros of planning, phonics and thematic learning.
- Our sewing cooperative is doing really well & have a proper business
- We have attracted some brilliant volunteers

.....and a few lows.

- We sadly lost Omar Juma to AIDS, a disease he fought valiantly for the six years he was with us
- We lost one of our best teachers when the Government poached him.....and that's about it!!

FUTURE EVENTS

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

A CELEBRITY GOLFING WEEKEND

IN MARBELLA - SPAIN

27TH-29TH JULY 2018

- COME, PLAY A WORLD CLASS COURSE

AND SUPPORT

THE VIPINGO VILLAGE FUND

Gala dinner hosted by Eva Longoria and a host of celebrities!

Come and join us, you know you want to! Fab course, glittering gala, charming celebs...all wrapped up in great packages

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We REALLY don't want to lose you!

....so, I have a favour to ask of you all!

- In the next few days, due to the change in Data protection laws, you will be receiving an 'Opt in' email. Please could you click on it otherwise you will no longer be on our database and that, from our perspective, would be a tragedy.
- I hope that this newsletter will show you, in graphic terms, that we do what we say we are going to do and achieve a great deal!
- That the children are thriving, that the school is thriving, that our reach throughout the community is huge and we are lifting people up and out of poverty through education and practical means.
- It now costs £130,000 p.a. to run the school and ancillary programmes, which is an awful lot of money to raise every year.
- Your donation is VITAL to keep everything on track
- DONATING has never been easier! Go to www.vipingovillagefund.org click on DONATE and Charity Check out does the rest.
- NB our new website, coming July 1st is currently under construction

As I always say

We REALLY can't do this without you!

***Thanks so much for your support over the last 10 years –
here's to the next 10!***