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The arrival of Anthony and Joseph



In the night of 2 to 3 February, Anthony and Joseph travel to the Netherlands. It is the first time for both of them that they come to the Netherlands, so it is quite exciting whether everything goes well and not least whether all papers are paid at customs!

We only really had peace when we were able to embrace them at Schiphol! We had brought warm

coats for them and then the journey could continue in the cold Netherlands, towards Putten. We visited the Pelican elementary school, where Anthony's eyes widened. Both men were also given a tour of Christian College, Groevenbeek, Putten and Ermelo. Anthony in particular has gained a lot of ideas that will certainly be followed up. In the Andreaskerk Anthony and Pieter gave a short presentation as the start of the 40-day project. The proceeds go to our foundation. Anthony and many others did not keep it dry when the song was translated into Ugandan. A wonderful, emotional service.

They have visited friends and acquaintances who have really gone out of their way to make it a beautiful visit. Thanks again for that, because 3 weeks 2 men on the floor is also very intensive!

It was very good to see that Anthony now understood much better that we Europeans in Uganda react the way we do. There has been even more mutual understanding for each other.



We were also regularly told how "organized" everything is here.

Three valuable weeks in which our anniversary sponsor day was one of the highlights.

Anniversary Day



We were allowed to use the auditorium of College Groevenbeek in Putten. And how committed everyone has been to make it a fantastic day! Again: thanks, thanks, thanks!

More than 130 sponsors were present. What a party it was to celebrate 6 years of Lwengo Kids Foundation together! Marga gave a beautiful presentation in which we were taken from the 1st day with 6 sponsor children to the present day, more than 240 sponsor children. In addition, the necessary projects were also carried out: water tanks and pumps, dormitories and the health center. Anthony supplemented her story with his story of how he came to take **his** Lwengo, the district where he grew up, to a higher level. First with the help of people and volunteers from Be-More; later with the help of Lwengo Kids Foundation. It became an emotional story, which we will not soon forget!

Beautiful paintings were auctioned and the main prize of the lottery was a sporty bicycle from bicycle dealer Ligtrink2Wielers.

Afterwards we all enjoyed the stew buffet.

It was a fantastic, inspiring day where we met many sponsors.

Thank you for everyone's efforts, in any way!

Groevenbeek on a journey



On February 22, Anthony and Joseph said goodbye and two days later Pieter followed them with four young people, Amber, Elise, Joshua and Tamino and Ria and Francien as guidance of Christian College Groevenbeek Putten/Ermelo.

In Lwengo they visited the eleven children sponsored by Groevenbeek. They were introduced to life in Lwengo, quite an experience!. But there was also time for relaxation: cycling among the zebras, a visit to the recycling company Eco Brix in Masaka where collected plastic bottles, bricks, furniture, household items and much more are made. And of course not to forget, cozy evenings just "at home".

In short, these are the best ambassadors we could wish for!

For Lwengo Kids Foundation, College Groevenbeek is a great sponsor, who also inspires us to do great things!

On the photo Elise, Axum (our oldest sponsor child. He graduates this year) Joshua, Tamino and Amber



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all those beautiful things that we still want to do, we need people. We are still looking for someone who wants to support Marga on the administrative level, but also with the PR, coming up with new activities, resetting existing activities, preparing for the work trip, and anyway, too many to mention. Because our Foundation is located in Putten, it would be nice if someone from the putten area came forward. Together we can do more! Our address details can be found in the header of this newsletter and is the direct tel.nr. with Marga.



Working trip April/May 2023

And the next trip is booked. From April 23 to May 14.

You can give a greeting to your sponsor child, but of course there will be an email with all the rules, etc.

As far as greetings are concerned, we are going to use a slightly different procedure. There are sponsors with several children, who must have noticed that they received pretty much the same letter from all sponsor children.

We have now made a sample book, with a greeting for the sponsors for all children, from kindergarten to Primary 7. These sample letters are different for all groups and can be used to send a greeting to you as a sponsor. So every year a different greeting from your sponsor child, depending on which group the child is in. It is intended that this greeting will be given to us in October in response to the letter you give in April. Then you can respond to the child greeting of October and we will take it back in April. Worth a try right?

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work trip.

So in the future we will only take a greeting from you in April. All new sponsors can give a greeting with our next

This prevents the children from copying a standard letter from the board.

Annual report

The annual report 2022 has been written and can be found on the website.

<https://www.lwengokids.nl/verantwoording/jaarverslagen>

The annual financial report is in the works and will be available at the end of March, beginning of April.

PubQuiz 24 March



We worked hard again to organize a nice Pubquiz evening. We are looking forward to it! The registration has already stopped, because a large number of people quickly signed up. In the autumn there will probably be another pub quiz, so there are new opportunities! When is not yet known, please keep an eye on our agenda on the website.

Thanks to Caroline, Max, Peter, Jan and Harry who put a lot of time and energy into it!



Update Rihana

Actually, we don't really have an update She's at school, having a good time and just getting back home. We would very much like to buy her a good wheelchair and we will soon pay for that from the proceeds of the 40-day period of the Andreaskerk.

To be continued!

Deaf classes Lwerudeso

In the previous newsletter we reported that Pieter and Marga were going to do their best to generate money for the deaf classes at a Wealth Fund. Unfortunately, that did not happen, which does not mean that we are giving up.

We will continue to look for new funds, because those deaf classes just have to be created, if not left, then right, but giving up is not an option of course. If you have any ideas and/or tips, please let us know.

Our next newsletter will be published in combination with the travel report at the end of May and the beginning of June.

Regards

On behalf of the board Lwengo Kids Foundation

Marga Streefkerk

A greeting from all sponsor children at Lwerudeso Primary School

