

## Correspondents

Dear Arthur,

I am writing to thank you for organising and supporting our visit to Tanzania. This has been the most unique and special experience I have ever had.

It has been remarkable and quite often emotional to experience the welcomes we have received at every step of our journey. This will remain in my heart forever.

I would particularly like to thank you as it has been very apparent that you have gone above and beyond to ensure we have been looked after, felt safe and above all given the best and most relevant experiences.

Please could you also pass on my thanks to others who have supported this visit and given their time with such commitment and dedication. Melina and Aleesha have particularly stood out as constant supports and I'd also like to thank them.

Finally the experience itself. This visit has had a huge impact on me and I'm interested to see how this translates now that I am home. The people of Tanzania have taught me a lot about hospitality, to smile even when facing adversity and to not take things for granted. These are things that I will be trying to improve both in my own school but also my own family life.

In regards to the schools, again the welcome and hospitality has been unbelievable and we have a lot to learn from this in our own country. It has been interesting listening to the questions staff have had and in response to what they can offer us it is so obvious now, I have so many ideas to take back.

I have been inspired by my visit and looking forward to continuing to work with and learn from our Tanzanian friends.

Thank you Arthur. This truly has been the best experience and top moments of my life.

Michael Walker

Headteacher - Ackworth Howard School

Dear Diane & the other members of the team,

Love and Christian greetings from Mara.

Thank you so much Michael for your email and most particularly for your recent visit to our diocese.

Thank you very much for taking the initiative and toleration to travel in our bumpy roads across the diocese, speaking to 12,446 children in the schools you visited, for the laughter's we had shared, and the joy we enjoyed when we sang and danced together!

Frankly speaking, your visit was a complement to our diocese and particularly to all the schools that you visited, you have blessed us and made us even stronger! I wish we would have had more time to visit the other remaining schools that are linked to schools in Leeds and some of our diocesan projects which we work with the community and thus full-filling our 'holistic mission approach', but may be that will happen another time.

Every member of your team played a great role in this visit.

I strongly believe/anticipate that our school links will become more strong and fruitful in both ends following this visit and our joint efforts, IF GOD BE FOR US, WHO CAN BE AGAINST US? (Romans 8:31)

Once again, thank you for giving us your time and also for your kindness and generosity!

Maggie and Diane, please arrange another teacher's visit to our diocese. This year's team was exceptional in so many aspects. They all worked very hard together as a team, they were also extremely well behaved, jolly, helpful to each other, committed to what they came to do and most of all truly ambassadors of not only the education department but also to the diocese of Leeds.

May our loving God bless you all and most of all your ministry in the Leeds Diocese.

I remain yours in Christ,

L/Canon Arthur Mauya

Dear Diane

How wonderful it is to have seen you this morning and to begin to hear some of the stories. A huge thank you to everyone who took part in the visit and for everything done to make it a real success. It will be a 'well' that you will all draw 'water' from over the next weeks and months and something that will enrich your lives and the lives of others as you continue to share your stories. The schools link is clearly an important part of the relationship between dioceses and we will be exploring over the rest of this academic year how we ensure that work can continue to flourish. You will all be a key part in that discussion.

Welcome home and we thank God for your safe return and the work that you have been engaged in throughout your visit. It goes without saying that it will take you some time to adjust to being back in this part of the world, but be assured that you will have left a legacy of relationships that can be built on into the future.

As we enter Lent I am sure your prayers and reflections will be influenced by this experience.

With best wishes

Richard Noake

Director of Education

Leeds Diocese

Dear Michael,

How are you? How is Ackworth Howard?

Thank you for your greetings which we received today 15 August 2019. We are very happy to receive your greetings and to hear that you arrived safely.

Here at Mshikamano P/ School things are going on well. We had football match on March, we were happy to use the balls that gave us. Our pupils and teachers were grateful for having a chance to use the balls. We really appreciate your kindness to us and we promise not to forget what you have done, you all gave us a memorable treasure to our school. You can't imagine how happy the pupils are whenever they see our little friend Howard place on the table in my office.

We are also proceeding well with building of classrooms, we have completed the walls to the level of rental. We have done all those achievements with contribution from the community.

Moreover, we are expecting to have standard seven national examination soon on the 11th & 12th September. So teachers are busy to prepare them by many tests to improve their academic performance and to gain experiences in doing national examination.

We are also going to have a short leave (Holiday) from 30th of August and we will be back on the 16th of September 2019.

We hope that we will continue to communicate every time and we are going to be good friend.

Thank you in advance for your prayers and continued support.

I attach herewith a picture which we have just taken in Arthur's office.

I am on the right and to the left is our Ward Education Officer Madam Ramona Nyamageni. I think you can remember seeing us when you visited our school.



Regards,

Madam Amina  
Headteacher  
Mshikamano A Primary School.

Hallo Friends!

Greetings from Mugumu Safe House. It has been so long without communication but we are all doing well here. How are you? How is work doing there?

In Mara we are good, the weather is wonderful is not so hot because it cold time now but guess what? it about 22 to 27 we are full of jumbes covering our body. How cold is it in England? In May we received little amount of rain than we expected. I was so quiet for sometime, I got my vacation holiday for a month, I traveled to Dar es Salaam to see my elder brother. During my vacation I was blessed and engaged to my boyfriend Festo. We are planning to get married in December 2019 if God wishes. Please remember us in your prayers.

Now I am back at the office and I am happy to tell you lots of good news that are happening at the Safe House. Before taking my vacation we had a board meeting and in the meeting we discussed about developing projects at our center which will help and empower girls economically but also helping sustaining different needs at the Safe House. We discussed about making bequettes charcoal as substitute for burning tree charcoal, making reusable pads by using fabrics, making batiks, liquid soaps and bar soaps and poultry farming.

With all those plans we have we are facing money challenges as capital for starting all those projects. We have struggled hard right now within the last two weeks of June the girls have started making batiks and liquid soap as introduction lessons. I have attached here with some pictures of what we have been doing lately.

Another good news is that the Safe House have received 20 cards of health insurance from the government donated by Deputy Health Minister. Now 20 girls can get medication without paying for one year. This shows that the government supports us and they are on our side. We are still looking for another generous person or people to support the same for the remaining girls. Right now we are having 49 girls.

We also agreed to take Neema Salama to school as her age is due. Please remember her in your prayer so that she can grow better healthically and spiritually.

Thank you for taking time to read my long email but I am happy that I have got a chance to update you of what is going on here.

