



PARTNER WITH A SCHOOL IN AFRICA

African Adventures is an award-winning volunteer travel company that provides humanitarian and financial support to educational projects in Africa, and organises opportunities for people in the UK to spend time volunteering at them.

Dan Mew first travelled to Kenya in 2007, where he volunteered at a community project called The Walk Centre. Set up by Alex and Patricia Maina, it provided a basic education and lunchtime meal for children living on and around the nearby dumpsite.

Dan was so impacted by his time at The Walk Centre, and in Kenya, that he decided to set up African Adventures, which would support similar projects and increase access to education for disadvantaged children in Africa.



Today, we support over 20,000 children across our three volunteer programmes via the partnerships that we have with 25 schools, which are a combination of non-government organisations and government schools.

Our principle aims as a company are to enable development at these partner projects in order to increase access to education for young people, and to provide valuable learning experiences for people from across the UK to increase global awareness.

By engaging in our School Partnership initiative, you can help us to do just that whilst bringing a bit of Africa and its culture into your classroom.





ALEX MAINA

ALEX IS OUR EAST AFRICAN DIRECTOR. HE HAS BEEN WORKING WITH AFRICAN ADVENTURES SINCE 2009.

Prior to setting up The Walk Centre in 2005, Alex and his wife Patricia were both teachers. Finding themselves in a relatively fortunate financial position, they were unable to stand by and do nothing when witnessing the plight of children living on the periphery of the Hilton Dumpsite in Nakuru. Many of these children were unable to afford an education, so spent their days scavenging on the dumpsite for materials to sell to help support their families. Initially, Alex was able to rent two rooms in a local church, and started providing a basic education and food for 60 nursery-aged children. When the school grew to over 100 pupils, more space was needed, and, with support from a generous donor, The Walk Centre was able to relocate to its permanent site.

Together with African Adventures, Alex has increased the access to education for thousands of children, providing them with the opportunity to change their lives. He has dedicated his life to helping others, and we feel privileged to work alongside him.

Overcrowding is a serious problem for our partner projects in Zanzibar, and large student populations – combined with a lack of government funding – mean that many schools lack sufficient educational resources. Our work focuses on improving the learning environment for the students at our partner schools, as well as constructing essential facilities such as toilets, wash stations, and security walls.





Your school partnership with

FUONI SCHOOL

UNGUJA, ZANZIBAR

KEY INFORMATION

53

STAFF

3240

STUDENTS

16

CLASSROOMS

All figures correct as of February 2020.

Fuoni is a government primary school, located on the outskirts of Zanzibar City. The school provides a free education from Standards One to Eight, to approximately 3,240 students between the ages of seven and 15. Bi. Rehema Ali Keto is the Headteacher and he is supported by 53 staff.

African Adventures partnered with Fuoni School in 2014 when the need for support was recognised: the school is severely overcrowded and under resourced.



Overcrowding at Fuoni is so serious that the school has two sittings, with half of its students attending in the morning and the other half in the afternoon, literally halving the children's access to education. The school has 16 classrooms, with class sizes averaging 100 students. Often students have no choice but to sit on the floor.

The aim is for Fuoni to be able to comfortably provide an education for its growing population of students, with the support of vital funding and resources.





2016

In our first year of being partnered with Fuoni, the focus was on helping to renovate and paint existing classrooms, which included fixing roof leaks and re-plastering walls. Education murals were painted on the walls to try and create more engaging learning spaces for the children.

2017

Renovation work continued this year, with the aim of improving the classroom spaces for the children. Volunteers also helped with teaching and providing sports sessions for the children.





2018

With so many classrooms at the school, the renovation and decoration work was ongoing. The provision of sports sessions that volunteers helped deliver were a helpful addition, especially for girls who may otherwise miss out on sports.

2019

The construction of the new school hall began this year and volunteers were able to help with this. In addition, classrooms were screeded and painted, and volunteers continued to support with teaching and sports sessions.



We are working with Fuoni School to improve their facilities and extend their outreach in order to encourage more children to attend school. To do this, we are aiming to:



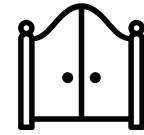
COMPLETE SCHOOL HALL

To improve school facilities



INSTALL NEW LATRINES & WASH STATIONS

To improve hygiene and sanitation



CONSTRUCT GATES

To improve security

Perhaps in the future you'd like to fundraise?

"ZANZIBAR IS MY HOMELAND AND THE MOST BEAUTIFUL PLACE ON EARTH...IT HAS TO BE SEEN TO BE BELIEVED. HELP US MAKE THIS WONDERFUL PLACE EVEN BETTER FOR SO MANY UNDERPRIVILEGED PEOPLE."

SAMSON ZUBERI

TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT FUONI SCHOOL, VISIT:

<https://www.african-adventures.co.uk/fuoni-school-partnership/>

The students are looking forward to hearing from you!