

# MALAIKA KIDS UK

England & Wales · Charity number 1118149

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2007-02-28

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** 1. TO RELIEVE POVERTY AND PROMOTE HEALTH AND EDUCATION FOR THE NEEDY CHILDREN OF DAR ES SALAAM OR OTHER NEEDY TANZANIAN CHILDREN BY SUPPORTING MALAIKA KIDS TANZANIA AND BY COOPERATING WITH OTHER CHARITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS WORLDWIDE. 2. TO RELIEVE POVERTY AND PROMOTE HEALTH AND EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN IN TANZANIA AND IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD WHERE SUCH NEEDS ARE EVIDENT BY SUPPORTING PROJECTS AND OTHER WORK UNDERTAKEN TO FURTHER THESE PURPOSES.

**Activities:** Current Activities include the support of the Malaika Orphanage in Dar es Salaam and its Relatives' Support Programme, as well as the ongoing building and developing of a Children's Village in Mkuranga, Tanzania.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Overseas Aid/famine Relief
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA AND OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.
- Tanzania

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£191,242	£137,404	-	-
2023-12-31	£153,824	£164,141	-	-
2022-12-31	£163,919	£123,708	-	-
2021-12-31	£172,439	£115,127	-	-
2020-12-31	£143,968	£110,604	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALAN SMITH EDWARDS		2014-04-29
EMILE FARHI		
Francesca Ann Edwards		2015-05-12
Helen Veronica Marriage		2015-05-12
John Duncan Whitworth		2020-05-12
Martin David Stoll		2015-05-12
NIGEL WEIR FAWKES		
Sophie Florentin Siu		2017-04-01
William Philip Cooke		2014-01-15

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# Accounts

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# Malaika Kids UK

Annual Report and Accounts 2024



## Malaika Kids UK Chair's Report

I'm delighted to report that this has been a great year for Malaika Kids!

Four of our older children have achieved notable successes in 2024. One has qualified as an accountant and another as a pharmacist; one has a degree in social work and another has the equivalent of a degree qualification in port authority management.

We aim to help every child reach their full potential, which can be even more difficult when they face disability or academic challenges. We're proud that many now work in carpentry, security, and hospitality.

In the Netherlands, Ton Willemsen, the MKNL chair, was appointed a Knight in the Order of Orange Nassau in recognition of his 20 years of service to Malaika Kids NL.



Fundraising remained strong in 2024, but we are increasingly concerned that much of the responsibility falls on the trustees, most of whom are over 70. In addition, significant cuts to government aid from the USA and UK could have an indirect impact on our funding. Ensuring long-term financial stability remains a key priority.



I'm deeply inspired by the support that we receive from each of our donors. Thank you!

*Alan*

Alan Edwards  
Malaika Kids UK Chair

## January

Just before Christmas, Jasmine, a London-based dentist and supporter, travelled to Dar es Salaam to visit the children. Drawing on the generosity of her mosque community, she secured enough funds to provide Christmas presents for every child. Each one received a bilingual book with English and Swahili stories. Younger children also received puzzles, older children had Lego or sewing kits, and the oldest were gifted watches or jewellery. For many, these were the first Christmas presents they had ever received.



Jasmine was able to examine the teeth of many of the children. She reported that they were generally in good condition. However, some of the younger children needed to brush their teeth more thoroughly—we provide toothbrushes and toothpaste as part of the Relatives Support Programme (RSP) monthly package—and some of the older children had wisdom teeth coming through, which was painful.



## February

In May 2023, the Government of Tanzania and the UN Children’s Fund jointly published a revealing report entitled “What is life like as an adolescent in Mainland Tanzania?” Some of the issues that we are tackling include:

- Only 25% of Tanzanian adolescents have a birth certificate.
- 8 in 100 are covered by medical insurance.
- 25% of older adolescent girls (15–19 years) have anaemia.
- 23 in 100 older adolescent girls have been pregnant.
- 14% of all students completed the O levels (GCSE) in 2021.
- 2 in 10 pass basic Maths at O Level.
- 55% of adolescents are employed.

I’m happy to say that many of our children are doing much better than these national statistics.



Although the labour market continues to be extremely challenging for young people, I’m pleased to report that many of our children have found gainful employment.



Our children are doing very much better than the general population. We have learnt a lot about caring for children in the last fifteen years and I’m sure we will make further progress in the next fifteen!

### March

**Our news updates typically include photos to illustrate the stories. However, due to Malaika Kids' strict safeguarding policy, we can't identify individual children in this update. As a result, this update is text-only.**

Malaika Kids Tanzania currently cares for 79 children in its Children's Village in Mkuranga and 30 children and young adults in Dar es Salaam (22 in the Reception Home and 8 in rented accommodation nearby).

Most of these have come to us at a young age, many as babies. Of these 109 children, seven have special needs.

A young adult came to us eight years ago, completely traumatised and barely able to speak. He has gradually made progress and, although not academic, he has been able to help Julius, the farm manager. We aim to find him an employer with a small business in Mkuranga town who will provide him with board and lodging and a small wage. It should be easy to keep an eye on him and make sure he is treated well.

Another boy left the Children's Village five years ago after experiencing a difficult period. As he approached adolescence, he became violent and couldn't be left alone with other children. He also started to suffer epileptic fits. Eventually, we were able to find an older childless couple for him to live with. We continue to contribute to his upkeep and to his frequent visits to the hospital. He has his own room and when we visited him fifteen months ago, he couldn't stop smiling.

Unfortunately, the prospects for the four remaining children with special needs are much more limited.

One child was brought to us as 'an emergency for a few weeks'. Six years later, she is still with us and has complex mental and physical needs. She is currently attending a special school, but once this is over, the Reception Home is likely to be her long-term home. Similarly, a toddler at the Children's Village is still unable to sit up at 18 months, and an MRI scan shows widespread brain damage.

Finally, two young adults have completed their education at a weekly boarding school for those with special needs; they would be vulnerable to exploitation outside our protective care. One can perform simple farming tasks; the other tries but is easily distracted. Recognising their vulnerability and the fact that Malaika Kids is their only safe environment, we are resolved to provide them with lifelong care.

We regularly update the safeguarding policy, which you can read on the website.

## April

At the end of last month, Francesca and I arrived at Dar es Salaam airport to be welcomed by James, the Village Manager, and no less than five children from the Children's Village. For most of them, it was their first visit to the airport and they were very excited. "How many people were on your plane?" and "If you leave your seat, can anyone sit there?" were some of the many questions asked.



Most of our time was spent in Mkuranga at the Children's Village, where we talked individually to each child over six years old, a total of 65. We also spoke to every member of staff, including the ten mothers and four agricultural workers. We ate with the children at all times, often ending the meal with a rousing rendition of 'Old MacDonald Had a Farm' or a game of 'Simon Says'.



We visited three of the children's schools: Lifewaylight primary, Ujenzi and Mwinyi secondary. Some of the children already attend the first two and we may consider sending some less academic ones to Mwinyi in the future.

We also spent four days at the Reception Home in Dar es Salaam talking to the staff and older children who are doing apprenticeships or studying at college. We were delighted to visit two boys who'd recently completed their three-year carpentry course and who are now successfully employed—one in wooden door manufacturing and the other in a recycling plant creating wood and glass tourist goods.

### May

Over the past two weeks, Tanzania has been hit by a torrential downpour. Much of the Children's Village has been turned into a muddy paddling pool, and staff have been hard at work pumping the water out into neighbouring fields.



The crops haven't enjoyed the constant rains, and the new cucumber project has been particularly hard hit. Before the rains, we were harvesting at least a dozen cucumbers a day—now they're rotting on the vines. On the bright side, all our children are safe and well and the schools are operating normally.



At the Kinondoni Reception Home, the water briefly entered the living area and one of the bedrooms was threatened. Luckily, the bunk beds are high off the ground and the frames are drying out well. For several days, the government halted all bus services because many buses were stranded in the mud or had water-damaged engines. As a result, most of the college students had a brief break due to the lack of available transport.

### June

Just one hundred yards from the front gates of the Children's Village stands Lifewaylight primary, a fee-paying, English-teaching school. We wave goodbye to 25 Malaika children at 7:28 am and by 7:30 am they are in their classrooms. It's so important that the youngsters learn good English. The government insists that all secondary school pupils are taught in English. Learning it in primary school gives them a huge advantage.



The class sizes are small—typically 20—in stark contrast to the local state primary, where class sizes are over 100 and sometimes as much as 150. This means that our children receive much more attention and support and that their homework is diligently marked. This year, there is also an extra class for the Year 7s, who will be taking the all-important state exam in September. These students start their day at 6:30 am!



Playtime is always held outdoors in a safe, vibrant area filled with shrubs and trees, except when it rains. The space features climbing equipment, swings, and rubber tyres.

### July

At the heart of the Children's Village in Mkuranga are 10 amazing women—the mamas.

Eight of them look after 10 children each, ranging in age from 6 months to 18 years old. Two are peripatetic, standing in for others if they're unwell or on holiday. Before coming to Malaika Kids, many of the children suffered severe trauma in their lives. Aggression and bed-wetting are common; some older children have never been to school, worn shoes or even slept in a bed.



Our mamas respond to all the problems with love and patience. Whenever I visit the Village, I'm amazed at how quickly children integrate into the larger community.



The mamas each reside in a house where they sleep in their own small central room, flanked on the right and left by two dormitories—one for five boys and the other for five girls. In practice, this means that they're on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (especially if they have babies to look after). Every weekday, they get up at 5.30 am in the dark to get their children ready for primary school.

## August

The Kinondoni Reception Home is located in a very poor area north of Dar es Salaam city and is exceptionally busy. We currently have six children who have been referred to us by the welfare office. Most of them are likely to stay with us on a short-term basis while relatives are sought, and court cases are heard. If no suitable family member can be found, then in due course, the child will be transferred to the Children's Village.



Currently, 11 young adults live at the Reception Home, with two more soon to join them as they begin their IT and teaching courses. The courses available to our children include carpentry, welding and electrical installation, early childhood care, travel and tourism, and freight forwarding.



A further eight young adults, most of whom are nearing the end of their courses, live in rented accommodation near the Reception Home. By the end of this year, four high-flying children will graduate with diplomas or degrees in accountancy, social work, pharmaceutical sciences, and freight forwarding.

## September

Our Relatives Support Programme is a cost-effective way to support desperately poor, neglected children within their own families in the community.

Tragically, a five-year-old boy's mother passed away in hospital shortly after his birth. A family friend cared for him for several months, but when she could no longer manage, the welfare office bought him to the Reception Home. After an in-depth search, a widowed aunt, facing severe poverty while raising her own two children, offered to care for her nephew. We now provide educational support for all three children.



Two years ago, three children lost their father in a car accident. Subsequently, they became homeless, as they were evicted from their home with their mother and the father's siblings. A kind neighbour provided temporary shelter while their mother found a rented room. Her roadside chapatti business covers the rent, and the fortnightly RSP support, which includes food and hygiene products, school supplies and health insurance, ensures the children are no longer hungry and can attend school.



## October

This year we expect to spend around 862 million Tanzanian shillings, which at an exchange rate of TZS 3,560 to £1 is a very significant £242,000.

Our largest single expenditure is on staff. Malaika Kids Tanzania employs a total of 26 local people. This year the total payroll is expected to be £71,000.



Our second biggest expense is food. £58,000 a year covers all meals for the children and staff. To keep food costs down, there is a heavy reliance on the staple food ugali, which is made from maize and has the consistency of mashed potato.



The third largest expense is education. It costs £55,000 a year to educate 65 children at our preferred English-teaching schools and 14 in vocational courses. We also subsidise 93 RSP children with books and uniforms who attend state schools in Dar es Salaam.

After these major expenses, we need a further £58,000 a year to cover all the other costs, which include clothes, water, electricity, cleaning and laundry, health and hygiene, farm expenses, vehicle maintenance and local auditing and legal services.

### November

Several children shared stories of their lives before coming into the care of Malaika Kids.

“I don’t remember what it was like before I came to Malaika because I was only one month old. I was told my father lives far away from Malaika and he has never visited us. Maybe he is very poor. I think my twin brother and I would have been living a poor life.”



“My mother died a long time ago. I lived with my father and my brother. Life at home was like we were in the army. Sometimes, our father forced us to work on farms like other labourers and not to go to school. If we refused to go to work, we were severely beaten. That is why we decided to run away. I have always been happy at Malaika.”

“Before Malaika, I lived with my blind mother, siblings and our grandmother. We were always moving from one place to another as my mother was unable to rent a house. Our life was very poor. Malaika is very good to me. Now I sleep on a good bed, get nice food, play with other kids and I am happy that all the other kids love me, something I didn’t experience before.”



“I lived with my mother who had cancer. Our life was terrible. I was not going to school as we were living far away from school. I could not get regular meals, and I used to wear very old torn clothes. Malaika is giving me a good future and I am happy to be in the top three in my class.”

## December

All the children are now home from school until the new academic year starts in early January. The village is full, with a total of 81 children, and there is time to relax and play before Christmas.

In December, the daytime temperature reaches 32°C and it's humid. When it starts to cool down around 5 pm, the daily sports hour begins with netball, volleyball and football all being very popular. There are 25 acres of land at the Children's Village, which is enough space for all the children to run around and play, and space to grow fruit and vegetables that supplement their daily diet.



Younger children play tag and love to draw in the sand. Once the older boys return from boarding school, football in bare feet becomes a very competitive and skilled game.



The rainy season is drawing to a close, but there are sometimes sudden heavy downpours. When this happens, most of the children shelter in one of the two central halls that have open sides so that air can circulate. They read, do puzzles or compete to make basic handicrafts.

## Children cared for by Malaika Kids Tanzania

	Reception Home	Relatives Support Programme	Children's Village	Total
<b>Start of 2024</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>228</b>
Incoming-External	7	12	5	24
Moved from Children's Village	5		-5	
Moved to Children's Village	-4		4	
Moved to families	-7		-6	-13
Leavers	-10	-7	-2	-19
<b>Total: end of 2024</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>220</b>

By the end of the year, the Reception Home numbers returned to around 20 children, as some recent leavers secured jobs and moved into nearby accommodation. When the numbers exceed 20, we rent nearby rooms for the older children who are still studying.

The Children's Village consistently houses around 80 children, aiming to maintain eight households of 10 each. While temporary increases are managed as needed, we are hesitant to establish an entirely new household. Between the Reception Home and the Children's Village, we typically care for 100 or more children at any given time, though numbers fluctuate throughout the year.

The Relatives Support Programme currently helps 120 children in the community with food, medical insurance, and educational support. While this programme is highly cost-effective, its success depends on identifying a responsible family member, often a grandmother or aunt, to support its implementation.

The number of children determines the budget allocation. Approximately one quarter of the total is spent on food, another quarter on staff costs, another on education, and the final quarter covers all other expenses.

## Our Patron



Our patron is H.E. Mbelwa Brighton Kairuki, High Commissioner of Tanzania in the UK. He says...

*"I am very impressed with the work that Malaika Kids does... I would have no hesitation in recommending friends of Tanzania to support Malaika Kids if they can."*

## Malaika Kids UK Trustees and Volunteers

	Trustee	Last Elected
Chair	Alan Edwards	2022
Treasurer	Emile Farhi	2022
Secretary	Phil Cooke	2022
Honorary President	Nigel Fawkes	2023
	Francesca Edwards	2023
	Helen Marriage	2023
	Sophie Florientin-Siu	2023
	Martin Stoll	2024
	John Whitworth	2022
	Dr Simon Cooper	2024
	Dr Alan Lamont	2023

My thanks go to all the trustees and volunteers for their terrific work during 2024.

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month, hosted from PIMCO offices in central London. Ton Willemsen and Maarten Steemers from MK Netherlands and Nigel Andrews from MK USA attend by Zoom, as do some UK trustees and volunteers. This enables the main fundraisers to remain connected and informed.

Shezan Manji in Tanzania initially prepares the budget for Malaika Kids Tanzania, which is then reviewed with Maarten Steemers before formal approval. While Malaika Kids Tanzania operates independently, its primary funding comes from Europe, transferred monthly according to the approved budget and with adjustments made as needed throughout the year.

Weekly discussions are held by Zoom between Europe and the management team in Tanzania; the key points are shared with the trustees in the monthly meetings. Annually, Ton, Simon Cooper, Francesca, and I undertake various independent visits to Tanzania.

I think this management system works extremely well in a very collegial way.

Looking forward, I can see that the original founder of Malaika Kids, Najma Manji, has the excellent support of younger managers in James Kalinga, who works in Mkuranga at the Children's Village and Shezan Manji, based in Dar es Salaam. Operationally, Malaika Kids Tanzania is structured to ensure the long-term financial viability and the continued provision of nurturing care for its beneficiaries.

The future appears less certain in Europe and the USA, where much of the funding originates. We have a substantial group of supporters who, together, make the Christmas Appeal and other initiatives a success, and hopefully, this will carry on.

However, the central organisation and liaison with Tanzania is largely undertaken by trustees who are mainly in their senior years. It would be good if a younger group, some of whom should be willing to travel to Tanzania regularly, could emerge...

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## Income and Expenditure Account

Year ended 31 December 2024

		2022	2023	2024
	Notes	£	£	£
	1			
<b>Income</b>				
Donations		138,874	126,470	142,724
Gift Aid	2	15,167	7,692	11,339
Event Income		6,448	8,081	16,771
Bank interest		3,430	11,581	20,408
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>163,919</b>	<b>153,824</b>	<b>191,242</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Funds transferred to Tanzania		119,625	156,900	127,510
Event costs		2,444	3,344	5,420
Fundraising costs		411	2,733	3,529
Website maintenance		468	450	240
Annual Report printing		443	400	400
Bank charges		317	314	305
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>123,708</b>	<b>164,141</b>	<b>137,404</b>
<b>Net Income (Deficit) for the year</b>		<b>40,211</b>	<b>(10,317)</b>	<b>53,838</b>

## Balance Sheet

Year ended 31 December 2024

		2022	2023	2024
	Notes	£	£	£
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Cash at bank		650,372	640,055	693,893
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>650,372</b>	<b>640,055</b>	<b>693,893</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>		0	0	0
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>650,372</b>	<b>640,055</b>	<b>693,893</b>
<b>Funds</b>	<b>3</b>			
Balance at the start of the year		610,161	650,372	640,055
Surplus (Deficit) in the year		40,211	(10,317)	53,838
<b>Funds at the end of the year</b>		<b>650,372</b>	<b>640,055</b>	<b>693,893</b>

## Notes to the Accounts

### Note 1: Accounting basis

These accounts have been prepared on a cash basis.

### Note 2: Gift Aid receipts

These relate to donations received in the year.

### Note 3: Charity's funds

Includes £10,000 received in 2024 and restricted by a kind donor for education costs in 2025. This amount is included in the donations above.

## **We are Malaika Kids UK**

### **Registered Office**

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### **Bank Details**

Bank: CAF Bank  
Name: Malaika Kids UK  
Account: 00093337  
Sort Code: 40-52-40



**MKUK Accounts 2024**

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**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
**MALAIKA KIDS UK**

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

**31. DEC. 2024**      **Charity no  
(if any)**      **1118149**

**Set out on pages**

**16, 17**      (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

**Signed:**

**[Signature]**

**Date:**

**19.2.25**

**Name:**

**CYRIL BARRATT**

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(if any):**

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## Malaika Kids UK Chair's Report

Many charities do a great job, but why should anyone select Malaika Kids over the others?

My own logic starts by prioritising humans over animals; children over adults; children in places where nobody else is going to help them – in an impoverished African country. Then I am happiest with a charity where every small effort really matters (Malaika Kids is not a large charity and receives no government funding), so each individual contribution matters greatly to the children that we support.

The people involved in the charity are highly committed and work well together; that includes the staff in Tanzania who do a terrific job, and also those trustees and volunteers in the UK, the Netherlands and the USA, who really do pull together.

And this collegiate effort produces great results. As one recent visitor declared:

“Seeing first-hand the tireless and selfless work carried out by Najma, Shezan, James, the mothers, Emanuel, Julius and everyone at Malaika Kids all for the greater good of the children, is something that I will forever be in awe of. An outstanding memory of Malaika which I will always carry with me is how happy the children were, a true testament to the loving care they receive.”



In 2023 we were able to help more than 250 children, a significant increase over the past five years (see page 14). This report is mainly a shortened version of the newsletters we have sent out during 2023, giving a snapshot of all the work that has gone on.

Unfortunately, this is the third year in a row when our income has reduced, from £172,000 down to £153,000 (see pages 16 and 17). We would like to retain sufficient reserves to maintain our operation for three years if our income were to dry up (bearing in mind that many of our children can remain with us for around eighteen years); however, the key UK-held reserves can cover only two forward years and they are beginning to dip downwards.

Your contribution therefore means a great deal to us – thank you very much!

Alan Edwards

Malaika Kids UK Chair

## January

In our Children's Village in Mkuranga we have ten devoted mothers who care for 78 children, ranging in age from nine months to 20 years. Eight of these mothers maintain a family unit with a maximum of ten children each, while two mothers act as relief for sickness and holiday cover.



It is hard to put into words what a fantastic job the mothers do for their children. These mothers are on call 24 hours a day. They get up each weekday at 5:30 am to prepare their children for school; they go to bed around 10 pm having spent the day cleaning, washing and cooking, and also caring for younger children – we have 14 children under six years of age.

When the older children return from primary school, the mothers help them with their homework and organise sports activities with them from 5 to 6 pm most evenings. And of course if a child is unwell during the night they look after them.

Children are often traumatised when they come to us, and the mamas spend many hours helping them feel loved and wanted in the small family unit.



## February

As of the beginning of this year, we are supporting a total of 208 children and young adolescents on an ongoing basis. However, sometimes it's not realised that this is far from all we do.

During 2022 we helped an additional 21 children on a short-term basis. These children were brought to us by the local Social Welfare officer after suffering significant trauma in their short lives. We acted as a refuge, a place of comfort and safety while legal proceedings sometimes took place, criminal charges were occasionally brought, counselling of guardians was carried out and then finally the search for an appropriate loving home was undertaken.

A young girl of 10 and her baby sister were brought into our Reception Home. The young girl had left primary school after only four years of education to look after her baby sister full-time while her mother scraped a living selling foodstuffs at the market. The older girl was sexually abused by a neighbour and told her mother about this. Once her mother eventually believed her, she reacted by locking the door of their shack all day; another neighbour reported this. These children stayed with us for two months while the mother received counselling and Social Welfare determined that they should be reunited with their mother. We can but hope that the young girl is back at school while her mother has found childcare for her baby.



An 11-year-old child was sent 800 miles by her parents to work as a housemaid for a family in Dar es Salaam. She was mistreated and unpaid. This was reported to Social Welfare and she was brought to our Reception Home. We expect her to be reunited with her family soon.

A young teenager left her home in the west of the country, searching for a better life in the big city. There, friendless, homeless and penniless she was approached by a man who offered to pay her for sex with him. She became pregnant and gave birth in a Dar es Salaam hospital. She stayed with us for one month until the authorities reunited her and her baby with her family.

Two siblings, one nine years old and the other eighteen months, were brought to us because of mistreatment by their violent and alcoholic mother. The older boy stopped going to school to take care of his little sister; Social Welfare became involved and the children were brought to us until the case was dealt with. After ten days their aunt agreed to take both children; the boy was very sad to leave us as he was anxious that he might be returned to his mother.

## March

When Emanuel was interviewed for the job of Deputy Village Manager seven years ago, his CV was impressive. He had taught at three different primary schools and in his last post had been Head of School. Although we saw equally impressive CVs from other candidates, what made Emanuel stand out was his obvious concern for, and empathy with the children. As he was shown around the Village for the first time, he chatted easily with the boys and girls and asked about their daily lives.



Emanuel walks from his house in Mkuranga town that he shares with his partner and child. At 7:30 am he joins Julius, our Maintenance Manager, and James, the Village Manager, for breakfast and they discuss the jobs for the day ahead.

The school day begins at 8 am, and Emanuel teaches the oldest children in our nursery class. Our aim is that by the time these children start primary school, usually at the age of six, the following year, they can recognise letters and numbers and read and write simple sentences in both Kiswahili and English. Sometimes an older child may join this session if they have missed years of school, which frequently happens if a family breaks up or is simply too poor to afford the mandatory school uniform.

In the evening, he holds lessons with our less academic children to prepare them for the government exams and to help those who have missed years of schooling before coming to us.

Emanuel's main focus is on the children's education and health. He is the one who generally drives the van to take a sick child to the local hospital, who organises regular computer lessons for the older children, and who sets up the Friday night sessions showing English language films. He is in charge of the library, which is open several nights each week to encourage reading in both Kiswahili and English. He is also a dab hand at cutting hair for all the kids!

## April

In hot, dry Tanzania with unpredictable rains, we built a sustainable water supply into the original design of the Children's Village. We try to have two boreholes from which we pump water to the water tower and then it is gravity-fed to where it is needed.



Ton Willemsen and Aad van Vliet, from the Netherlands, visited the Village in March. They found that our second borehole was no longer working, and a new borehole needed to be drilled. Surveys had been done by a local company, and a promising location about 100 metres from the water tower was being checked out. Boreholes generally have a life span of 8-10 years. The cost of a new borehole plus a new water pump is around £7,000.

The electricity supply has also been a big problem. We try to use the national supplier, Tanesco, but it has frequent outages. We have two old, refurbished generators which continue to be carefully looked after by James, the Village Manager. They are frequently needed to power the water pumps, as well as to light the Children's Village at night. We also use some solar power provided by panels fitted on the roofs.



This year some maintenance items included: wood treatment against carpenter bees; painting many of the buildings and the floor of the main halls; and commissioning a fire extinguisher service.

Meanwhile, at the Reception Home in Dar es Salaam, the problem was an over-used septic tank. The solution was to separate clean wastewater and divert it away from the sewage.

## May

For more than 15 years the story of Malaika Kids has been one of steady progress. In Tanzania, we have slowly and consistently been helping more and more desperate disadvantaged children every year. The Tanzanian management team has been stable and become more expert in what they do.

We have been learning the best places to school our children, and where to send them on college or apprenticeship courses. The Don Bosco College trains some of our children in technical skills.



However, we have to continue to recognise that we have multi-year commitments. Every child we take on represents years of support on our part. Boys and girls often come to us when they are very young and may stay until they finish a course aged 18, 19 or 20. This long-term commitment is very different from other charities that, for example, dig wells or build schools where they can slow down their projects and nobody dies.



We need to expand our efforts in the UK, bringing more and younger supporters into the Malaika Kids family so that the organisation stays as vibrant as possible.

## June

At present we have eighteen children living in our cramped Reception Home in three big bedrooms, all furnished with bunk beds. In addition, nine young adults live in rented accommodation nearby, most of whom are near to completion of apprenticeship and college courses. They all go to eat in the Reception Home in the evenings.



On weekdays the day starts at 5 am for the older children. After breakfast, they make their way to their colleges. Currently, we have six younger children who are staying with us. Social Welfare has sent them to us while their cases are considered, sometimes in the courts, sometimes by Welfare themselves who will be looking for permanent accommodation with suitable relatives. If no safe family option is found, we then transfer the child to the Children's Village in Mkuranga.

We run the Relative Support Programme (RSP) from the Reception Home base. Two mamas, Amina and Hadija, visit the 100 RSP children we support on a rotating basis to check on their progress both at home and school. Twice a month, food and educational packages are prepared and distributed from the Reception Home to the RSP families.

Members of the management team meet with schools and colleges to better understand where the older children can thrive best and discuss the progress of those who are currently attending. Good career advice is a key priority for us.



## July

In Tanzania, the school year coincides with the calendar year and is divided into two terms. In June our children were on holiday and James, the Village Manager, decided to take the older students on a trip to the Village Museum in Dar es Salaam.

The Village Museum is an attempt to recreate the distinct housing and other customs that the 37 tribes of Tanzania possessed before the arrival of colonial powers. Many of these customs survived well into the twentieth century and even now it is easy to forget that in Tanzania the first language spoken at home is generally a tribal dialect. Kiswahili initially developed as a coastal trading language but is now used in much of East Africa, including Tanzania. English has become very important commercially but is usually the third language.



One girl wrote, “We meet with Madam Zakia (the tour guide), a very beautiful woman was dressed properly. In short, she was very smart. She started to ask us, “What is a museum? We answered correct exactly. We are very clever girls and boys. After that, she started to explain to us that in Tanzania we have got seven museums. In my life, I know that we have only one museum, so I was very surprised to hear that.”

The children explored the different dwellings and were particularly impressed by the tribe that always placed snail shells on the top of their huts. They were surprised to learn that monogamous marriages were not always the case and that the chief often had several wives.

Another girl was excited by the journey to and from the museum. The van went over a new bridge and then on a ferry – for many this was the first time they had been on a ferry and they were anxious to learn whether we have ferries too in our country.

## August

The total cost of the operation in Tanzania is £320,000 a year. Of this total, £280,000, about £2,600 per child per year, is spent supporting the children living with us, while a further £40,000, about £400 per child per year, is spent on the Relatives Support Programme (RSP).

RSP is much cheaper because our support is mainly food packages, educational needs, such as books and uniforms, and medical insurance.

The first major expense is food. The standard dish comprises ugali, which looks like mashed potato and is made from maize and served with kidney beans, and green vegetables.



The second big item is education. The biggest 'lump' is at the Children's Village, where our 80 children are spread across pre-primary, primary, where we send children to a school on our doorstep that teaches in English, and secondary, which is boarding.

The third substantial cost is staff. We employ a total of 25 people across all our activities. 10 of these are mamas, and the others are mainly managers and RSP/Reception Home staff.



Taken together, food, education and staff costs represent nearly three-quarters of our total spending, and it is difficult to see how we could easily cut these costs unless we plan to support fewer children.

## September

At present, we help 105 children to live with a family member; in most cases, this is their maternal grandmother. Our Relatives Support Programme provides them with a twice-monthly food package, annual health insurance and necessities for school, including the all-important and mandatory school uniform.



For example, we were told of three young children living with their ailing grandmother. Their parents are drug users and have totally neglected their son and two daughters. Due to our support, all three children are now back at school.

Another family consists of two young cousins, again looked after by their grandmother. They were abandoned by their parents and were not attending school, until we intervened.

A third family consists of a young boy, his mother and grandmother. The mother became pregnant at 14 and was forced to drop out of school. The boy's mother failed to enrol him at school and a government official brought the issue to our attention.



We are also supporting a family of three children cared for by their grandmother. The fathers of the children abandoned their mother, and she in turn asked her mother to bring up her children. The grandmother supports her family by brewing alcohol that she sells from her home and on the street. We take special care to check on these children as we are concerned that drunken customers could abuse them.

## October

Every year the Tanzanian government hosts a three-day forum in the capital, Dodoma, for non-governmental organisations (NGOs). There are over 9,000 NGOs in the country, and 3,000 people attended the conference. James Kalinga, our Village Manager, and Shezan Manji, our Office Manager, attended as representatives of Malaika Kids Tanzania.

We were honoured to be one of 21 NGOs featured in the report that accompanied the conference. We were even more delighted to discover that, as the delegates entered the hall, a five-minute video was played featuring the Children's Village with an emphasis on the buildings, the Village Manager, and some of the children.



We very much hope that being selected by the Government as a key and successful NGO will encourage donors, both within and outside Tanzania. USAID and EU aid organisations, who have generally focussed on large charities, were present at the forum. It would be great if Malaika Kids were now considered a worthy recipient of their funds.

Meanwhile, back in the UK, I am happy to say that our 18 runners who completed the Royal Parks Half Marathon had a great time. The weather was unusually dry and warm for October, which made for a good running experience.



## November

A recent volunteer, Abigail, who works with children with special needs, provided a snapshot in her trip report.

“My weekday schedule consisted of teaching two boys from the pre-primary class. In maths, we focused on distinguishing between the subtraction and the addition signs. Then it was porridge time for the children where I helped spoon-feed some of the younger children.



In English class, we focused on writing and speaking basic sentences. I made mental notes of what the boys were struggling with in their English outside of the classroom and then focused on that in the classes. In the baby class, we played with toys, danced to English songs which were played on the TV and had story time.



When the older children returned from the local schools, I would teach English for an hour. Seeing first-hand the tireless and selfless work carried out by everyone at Malaika Kids all for the greater good of the children is something that I will forever be in awe of. An outstanding memory of Malaika which I will always carry with me is how happy all of the children were, a true testament to the loving care they receive.”

## December

December 9, which falls this Saturday, is a public holiday celebrating Tanzania's independence. Our Children's Village observes this with a major sporting event, designed to involve every child and encourage everyone to enjoy the day. There are straightforward sprints, sack races, egg and spoon, three-legged, wheelbarrow – you name it, they try it!



The last event of the morning is a massive tug of war. Julius captains one team and Emanuel the other. All the bigger boys and girls, and even some mamas, participate.



There is a long pause for lunch while everyone cools down, then the fun begins again. In the shade of the central hall, the children play musical chairs and many other party games.



## Children cared for by Malaika Kids Tanzania

	Reception Home	Relatives Support Programme	Children's Village	Total
<b>Start of 2023</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>208</b>
Incoming – External	+ 19	+ 19	+ 6	+ 44
Moved from Children's Village	+ 6		- 6	
Placed with family	- 10	- 1	- 4	- 15
Moved to Children's Village	- 7		+ 7	
Left Malaika Kids	- 3	- 6		- 9
<b>Total - end of 2023</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>228</b>

At the end of 2023, Malaika Kids Tanzania cared for 228 children. The numbers are split nearly equally between 113 cared for in residence in the Children's Village (CVM) and Reception Home (RH), and 115 cared for through the Relatives Support Programme (RSP).

The numbers have been edging up over the last year, with an overall increase of 20, mainly in the Relatives Support Programme. In addition to these totals, a further 24 children were either placed with a family or left Malaika Kids. That means we cared for 252 children in total throughout the year.

Year by year, the numbers grow slowly, but over a longer time frame it is clear that we have grown significantly. Over five years, we have increased from 188 to 252 – an increase of 64 children (36%) children helped during each year. This increase has predominantly come in RSP numbers (37) but there has also been an increase of 28 in the combined CVM and RH numbers.

The increased number of children has put great pressure especially on the CVM and RH facilities, staffing and budget. Social Welfare brings distressed children to us, often genuinely hoping that their stay will be short and that an appropriate family solution can be found. If a family is not found, then Malaika Kids can end up being responsible for looking after the child for many years. Ideally, the child leaves us when they are educated and have a skill that can lead to self-sufficiency. For some of our most damaged children, self-sufficiency will never be feasible. We currently look after seven children who fall into this category.

The short-term safety valve for RH capacity is to rent rooms close to RH for sharing between older children, who are typically doing courses. They continue to eat and otherwise be helped at the RH. RSP children require fewer staff and less infrastructure. They are less costly and leave us once they reach 17 years of age.

We regularly update our safeguarding policy: you can read it on our website under Governance.

## Malaika Kids UK Trustees and Volunteers

	Trustee	Last Elected
Chair	Alan Edwards	2022
Treasurer	Emile Farhi	2022
Secretary	Phil Cooke	2022
Honorary President	Nigel Fawkes	2023
	Francesca Edwards	2023
	Helen Marriage	2023
	Sophie Florentin-Siu	2023
	Martin Stoll	2021
	Alison Clewlow	2022
	John Whitworth	2022
	Dr Simon Cooper	2021
	Dr Alan Lamont	2023

Thanks go to all our trustees and volunteers. In addition to raising funds and holding office for three-year terms, many also undertake specific tasks.

For example, Emile Farhi does a tremendous job as Treasurer keeping track of incoming and outgoing funds and balancing our accounts to make certain they stay below the thresholds necessary to ensure government guarantees. John Whitworth assists with the accounting and claiming the important Gift Aid.

Phil Cooke administers our committee meetings and AGMs (with excellent minutes); he also coordinates our appeals for funds to grant-making bodies.

Kevin Cusack and Francesca Edwards do a sterling job in producing the monthly newsletters and the Annual Report, with Helen Marriage now also assisting. Simon Cooper visits Tanzania to monitor health issues, and Alison Clewlow heads the HR committee and advises on safeguarding.

Martin Stoll masterminds our Royal Parks Half Marathon and other fundraising events. Nigel Fawkes is our most proactive fundraiser and has added more names to our mailing list than anyone else. Sophie Florentin-Siu continues to provide a vital corporate link to ensure well-equipped facilities and great internet connectivity for meetings.

Alan Lamont and Rob Heap have been helpful on several web and other technical issues. Cyril Barratt has continued to be our invaluable Independent Examiner ('auditor'), while Ed Cade has provided essential legal advice.

And a huge thanks to our many external supporters who continue to make everything possible.

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## Income and Expenditure Account

Year ended 31 December 2023

		2021	2022	2023
	Notes	£	£	£
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<b>Income</b>				
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Gift Aid	2	11,706	15,167	8,914
Event Income		12,748	6,448	8,081
Bank interest		2,976	3,430	11,581
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>172,439</b>	<b>163,919</b>	<b>153,824</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Funds transferred to Tanzania		107,190	119,625	156,900
Event costs		2,364	2,444	3,344
Fundraising costs	3	170	411	2,733
Website: Development, annual fees		4,540	468	450
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Bank charges		489	317	314
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## Balance Sheet

Year ended 31 December 2023

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<b>Funds</b>	4			
Balance at start of year		552,849	610,161	650,372
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Registered Charity No. 1118149

### Bank Details

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Sort: 40-52-40

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**Section A Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Malaika Kids

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31 December 2023

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1118149

**Set out on pages**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

**Signed:**

**Date:**

14 Feb 2024

**Name:**

Cyril Barratt

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(if any):**

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# Accounts

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**Malaika Kids UK**



**Annual Report and Accounts 2022**



## Malaika Kids UK Chair's Report

At the end of 2022, my wife, Francesca, and I spent four weeks in Tanzania. Due to Covid travel restrictions this was our first visit after nearly three years. We were delighted to find everything was thriving.

- In Mkuranga at the Children's Village we met 80 healthy and happy children.
- The primary school children were speaking good English, and the end of school exam results were all A and B grades (having been C and D in the past).
- We found the staff in Dar es Salaam and Mkuranga were happy, stable, and continued to be well-motivated.
- The 20 older children doing vocational courses in Dar es Salaam are performing well, as are the two who are studying degree courses in accountancy and social work.
- Our Relatives Support Programme was caring for a further 100 children, enabling them to remain in their community. They are normally cared for by an aunt or grandmother. The 20 we were able to talk to were healthy and doing well at school.

We discussed the proposed budget for 2023 with the MK Tanzania management team and have agreed on spending £330,000. This is not a huge amount for the running costs for staff, accommodation, food, and education and health care for over 200 children for a year.

We are glad that fundraising in the UK stayed strong in 2022, bringing in £164,000 in the calendar year. Since MK Netherlands also raised £160,000, and we got £35,000 from other sources, we are confident we can continue to operate for the foreseeable future.

However, it remains a concern that a lot of our fundraising is dependent on a small number of ageing trustees in the UK and the Netherlands. This means that we spend conservatively while trying to encourage younger supporters and trustees.



What follows is a month-by-month snapshot of our work in Tanzania, and then our annual accounts.

My thanks go to all our loyal supporters who continue to help us to thrive and to those that donated laptops!

With best wishes.

*Alan*

Alan Edwards  
Malaika Kids UK Chair

## January

A highlight of the Christmas holidays was all the boarding children returning to the Children's Village for Christmas, putting the total number up to 76 for the festivities. Here they are competing in teams in a 'current affairs' quiz.



They had a day at the beach and an outing to the Vikindu Forest Reserve about 25 km from the Children's Village in Mkuranga on the way to Dar es Salaam.



Now all the children who are three years or older are back at school, in new school uniforms at the start of the new school year. The secondary school children attend two boarding schools. One, Ujenzi is in Mkuranga town itself and the other, St Matthews, is midway between Mkuranga and Dar es Salaam. They will return for half-term at Easter and then in June for a month of holiday.



## February

Of the 96 children that Malaika Kids looks after directly, 10 are twins, a much higher proportion than in the population as a whole. The first born is usually called 'Kulwa' and the second born is 'Dotto'. So, if you meet a man with either of these names you can be sure that he is a twin!



One says of the other, "He is sometimes naughty, and he speaks a lot." The other says, "We don't share the same desk in class, and we feel it is okay as we have a lot of time together at home." They are competitive, always coming towards the top of their class. Perhaps because they were very young when they joined us, these boys seem very well adjusted. They live together with the same mama and tell us, "We real like our mama. She is so lovely, and she likes us very much."

Another older set of twins is a little more self-aware. They say, "For us being twins is something very special. So, we are very happy to be the way we are." One told us, "I once heard of three twins (editor's note: she means 'triplets') I wish I could see how they look and behave."



## March

In 2021, Malaika Kids helped more than 200 children – about half in residence with us in the Children’s Village Mkuranga and in the Reception Home in Dar es Salaam, and half in the Relatives Support Programme. To achieve this, we spent £250,000 – just over £1,000 per child on average for a whole year. Food and staff costs took up half of the spending (£125,000).

The food is mainly a staple called ugali – it looks like mashed potato and is made from maize flour. It is most frequently eaten with kidney beans and green vegetables that we grow ourselves. Although the diet is somewhat lacking in variety, the children are healthy and have plenty of energy.



We have 24 members of staff. The average cost to Malaika Kids per staff member is £3,000 – very little by European standards, but we believe competitive in Tanzania. It helps that we have been a reliable employer. Education took up 20% of our spending in 2021 (£50,000).



The remaining 30% of our 2021 spend was spread over a wide range of necessary activities: clothes, hygiene, cleaning, and kitchen (£25,000: 10%); maintenance, water, electricity, and farm costs (£11,000: 4%); and other overheads such as vehicles, RH rent, regulatory, etc. (£40,000: 16%).

## April

Five years ago, one of our older girls left our care, having attended primary school, followed by an apprenticeship course in hotel management. Ever since we have kept in touch with her, and she with us. First, she worked in Dar es Salaam and then in Moshi, in the north of the country. She came back to Dar es Salaam for the last couple of years where she met her partner and future husband, a builder. They married at the beginning of this month, and it was such a joy to see her surrounded by her 'sisters' from Malaika Kids, together with Mama Anna, who brought her up.



This year Easter coincided with Ramadan, so every child in the village, Christian and Muslim alike, had something to celebrate!



A few years ago, we organised an Easter egg hunt – possibly the first-ever in Tanzania (because of the heat). It is understandably not a tradition there. But this year, very many lollipops were acquired and the younger children, most kitted out in their best clothes, had a great time searching for them.

## May

At our Children's Village we operate two programmes: a nursery school for children between three and six years old, and a 'baby class' for children from birth to three. These ages are flexible – if we take in a child who has never learned to recognise numbers or letters, we may keep them in the nursery class for longer to give them a good chance of succeeding at primary school.

Our nursery school is run by Madam Tumaini, a qualified early years teacher. At present there are seven children in her class ranging from four to eight years of age. The teaching is predominantly in English with some Swahili stories and rhymes. Basic arithmetic, reading and writing are important, as are physical exercise, nature walks, painting and singing. The day often starts with a rousing but not always tuneful rendition of the Tanzanian national anthem, Mungu ibariki Afrika (God bless Africa). The children are in school from 8 am to 11:30 am, followed by lunch and then a long nap.



Mama Haruma is in charge of the baby class. We now have eleven babies in this class, so Mamas Zailatu and Martha also help out too. Six of these babies are Malaika Kids, and five come in from outside our Village. The parents of these five pay us a small fee.



Two weeks ago, our youngest ever Malaika Kid joined us. While she is technically in the baby class she is still so young that she spends most of the time in the care of a single Mama. This baby girl was found by a stranger in an underpass in Dar es Salaam. She was only a few hours old and her natural mother, almost certainly a terrified young teenager, could not be identified. After a few days in hospital the Welfare Department asked us to look after her. She will be with us for the next eighteen years or more and we will do our very best to support her in every way possible.

## June

Since the start of the war in Ukraine, the price of cooking oil in Tanzania has doubled and the price of maize has risen by 35%. Tanzanians use cooking oil in almost every aspect of their cooking, while maize is the main ingredient in ugali, a stiff porridge which is generally served once or twice a day.

Over half of an average family's income is spent on food, compared to one-sixth in the UK. And the average income is itself tiny – less than £1,000 per year – in the UK that number is £34,000.

We at Malaika Kids are trying to address this crisis as best we can. When we heard that the Village Manager, James, was considering cutting back on holiday trips so that the children could have enough to eat, we increased the food budget by 13%. This was an across-the-board increase which applies to all 200 children and their carers. So, the budget increased for all those in our Children's Village, all those in the Reception Home and all those in our Relatives Support Programme. We are totally committed to looking after our children and we are ready to increase the budget further if needs be.



We are grateful at this difficult time to have the expertise of Julius, our Farm and Maintenance Manager, at the Village. Thanks largely to him the children eat our own home-produced greens once or twice a day, and seasonal fruits such as guava, pineapples, and bananas. Our cassava crop is also very useful as a partial replacement for ugali. Both foods are very high in carbohydrates.

We do expect further food price increases and will do what is necessary to ensure that our children have enough nutritious food to eat.

## July

Malaika Kids trustee, Dr Simon Cooper, arrived at Dar es Salaam airport at 1:30 am on July 5 for a 10-day working visit. After a Covid induced 3-year absence we are delighted to be back visiting once more.

“Of the 79 children in CVM, 32 were new to me. Part of the challenge this year was the sudden change to the school holidays so that all the boarding school students were away. I visited Ujenzi school but was shown into a room with no furniture at all so decided to put all the children in the van and bring them back to the Village for an hour, which proved very popular.”

Simon also visited the Reception Home in Dar es Salam which now has 22 children and young adults either staying in it or living nearby. Three children were new to him but were settling in well, including a young teenager who had been badly beaten by her employer.



He was also able to meet Ramadhan, the relatively new Social Worker we have hired at the Reception Home. He said, “I was impressed. He speaks good English, was very helpful, and seems resourceful in problem-solving. A good find.”

James, our Village Manager, arranged for Simon to meet the District Medical Officer at Mkuranga District Hospital. As a result of this visit, we were given 70 new long-lasting insecticidal nets – vital in the ongoing battle against malaria.

In conclusion, he found that “physical health is generally excellent.” There are some recurrent issues such as skin infections and ear wax blockages and Martha, one of our mamas who is also a qualified nurse, is highly competent and deals with these as they arise. We also have two small children with HIV and this is well controlled with medication. Others are treated for epilepsy and autism.

Mental health for some is more of an issue due to earlier physical and sexual abuse. However, the team of James, Emanuel, Julius, and the mothers work extremely well to make a safe and understanding environment where the children flourish despite their problems.

## August

All our children are on holiday now until 9 September. The weather is heating up from a low of 17 degrees, a month ago but not nearly as hot as it will become – 40 degrees, towards the end of the year; when it's their summer but our winter.

James, our Village Manager, decided to take the secondary school children and the older primary school children on a day trip to the National Museum in Dar es Salaam. The museum, originally named after the British King George VI when it was opened in 1940, houses exhibitions on First Man and his emergence in the Rift Valley; colonial Tanzania as first ruled by the Germans as German East Africa; and then by the British as the sovereign state of Tanganyika, and post-colonial when it and Zanzibar merged to form the United Republic of Tanzania in 1964.



Meanwhile, our younger children enjoyed a day out at the beach. This is probably their favourite outing and there is great excitement and chatter as they drive in our two vans to the coast. When we started to go on this trip a few years ago virtually no children could swim, but now around half can at least manage a few strokes and a few are very confident in the water.



## September

We now care for 96 children, aged from one to 16 in our Relatives Support community programme. Once a child reaches the age of 17, they leave the programme in order that we can take on more, younger children. Our reasoning is that a 17-year-old has been sufficiently well educated at both primary and secondary levels to have a good chance of finding a job, although we must accept that this is not always the case.



There are three prongs to our Relatives Support Programme. The first is help with educational costs, notably uniforms and books. However poor a child is, they are barred from school unless they wear a serviceable uniform. This costs us £70 per year per child. In addition, we recently started to pay for each child in the junior part of primary school to receive regular practise tests to improve their academic performance.

Malaika Kids also provide a vital bimonthly food package for each child, consisting of staples such as cooking oil, salt, flour, dried beans and some fresh fruit and vegetables. Toothpaste and soap are also included, at a total cost per child of £195 per year. Finally, and crucially, we arrange basic health insurance for each child. This allows them to access basic healthcare, including free prescriptions. This costs us an additional £46 per child per year.

So, for £311 per child per year, we can make a real difference to the likely life outcomes for these children while keeping them within their extended family. This family unit is typically headed by an aged female relative, often the grandmother.



## October

In our last newsletter, we told you we had 17 supporters running the Royal Parks Half Marathon or the Norfolk Coastal Trail Marathon earlier this month. Together they have raised just over £8,000 and after race fees, this will be around £6,000. Thank you!



Meanwhile, the pound sterling/Tanzanian shilling exchange rate has deteriorated by nearly 20% compared to last year. This means that we need 20% more in sterling donations just to stand still, and to provide the same level of care and service to our children.



As of 25 October, we support 198 children (aged three months to young adults at college or in higher education), roughly half in residence at the Children's Village and Reception Home, and half cared for in the community in our Relatives Support Programme. We had budgeted for 194, and clearly will shortly move beyond 200. We have nevertheless kept our costs under tight control, and we are managing to run at 7% below budget in the local currency. In sterling terms, we are spending more than budgeted, and we will probably top £300,000 for this full year. At an average of only £1,500 per child this is excellent value for money, and covers food, staff costs, repairs, education expense and much more.



## November

Francesca and I had not been in Tanzania since January 2020, just before Covid struck, a gap of nearly three years. Here were some of our initial impressions. First of all, we have more children than before who are below school age.



Secondly, it was terrific to be greeted by much the same staff as were here three years ago. They are more confident, more experienced, and keen to keep on improving.



Thirdly, our agricultural project was doing better than we expected.



Fourthly, the trip between Dar es Salaam and the Children's Village, about 30 miles, has definitely improved, as the road is much better paved – having been horribly pot-holed.

## December

The Reception Home is at maximum capacity, with 19 children sleeping there every night. In addition, five of our older children are living in rented accommodation a few minutes' walk away, paid for by us. The staff see them every day as they come for supper every night at the Reception Home.

We were impressed by our visit to Don Bosco College, a not-for-profit organisation that trains young adults in practical courses such as carpentry, electrical installation, and welding. Five Malaika Kids study there, and we hope to send some more in the near future. The emphasis is on finding jobs – crucial with youth unemployment conservatively estimated at 50%. We attended a graduation ceremony for two boys who have just completed their 3-year course in carpentry.



Two of our more academic girls are studying marketing and social work. The latter has two years to go before she receives her Bachelor's degree. She, alongside a boy who is studying accountancy, will hopefully be our first Malaika Kids to attain these advanced qualifications.

We talked to some of the children who are supported in our Relatives Support Programme. They are typically primary school children who were delighted to be given some balloons to play with while waiting to speak to us.



## Children cared for by Malaika Kids Tanzania

	Reception Home	Relatives Support Programme	Children's Village	Total
<b>Children at beginning of 2022</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>192</b>
Incoming – external	+31	+18	+3	<b>+52</b>
Moved from the Children's Village	+8	0	-8	<b>0</b>
Placed with family	-15	-6	-6	<b>-27</b>
Death	-1	0	0	<b>-1</b>
Moved to Children's Village	-18	0	+18	<b>0</b>
Left Malaika Kids	-1	-6	-1	<b>-8</b>
<b>Total at end of year 2022</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>208</b>

The overall number of children helped at year-end grew to 208. The Children's Village (CV) exceeded our capacity of 80 for a few days at the end of 2022 and as of March 2023 is back down to 78 as four children have moved to the Reception Home (RH) to start training courses. We expect smaller overall growth this year, to be concentrated in the Relatives Support Programme.

In addition, 21 (15 RH and 6 at CV) children were brought to us by the Welfare Department and helped on a short-term temporary basis, before an appropriate home was found. In addition, a very young baby died shortly after being brought to us in an extremely distressed condition, premature and malnourished.

The Reception Home is at full capacity. We rented rooms/hostels for eight older children doing courses near to the Reception Home. We expect to continue to expand the number of rental rooms in 2023. These children eat supper at the Reception Home during the week and other meals at weekends. This means that we continue to monitor their progress and support them in their studies.

We helped 115 children aged between three months and 17 years through the Relatives Support Programme, (97 in January plus 18 newcomers) providing food packages, health insurance and school uniforms. These children live in the community, often cared for by a grandmother or aunt, only rarely by a natural parent.

Over the course of the year 12 children reached the age of 18 and moved off the Relatives Support Programme, while as noted above we also helped 21 children on a short-term basis. **Overall, the total number of children supported at some point during the year was 244, an all-time record, and likely to be exceeded sometime during 2023.**

## Malaika Kids Trustees

	Trustee	Last elected
Chair	Alan Edwards	2022
Treasurer	Emile Farhi	2022
Secretary	Phil Cooke	2022
Honorary President	Nigel Fawkes	2020
	Francesca Edwards	2020
	Helen Marriage	2020
	Sophie Florentin-Siu	2020
	Martin Stoll	2021
	Alison Clewlow	2022
	John Whitworth	2022
	Dr Simon Cooper	2021
	Dr Alan Lamont	2022 Co-opted

### Malaika Kids UK and Malaika Kids in Tanzania

Thanks go to all the trustees, who do a great deal of work that is unsung behind the scenes. All are elected by Members at our Annual General Meeting, usually for a three-year term of office.

Thanks go to our Independent Examiner, Cyril Barratt, who has been very helpful.

Malaika Kids UK exists solely to support Malaika Kids in Tanzania. We have no employees; our biggest local expense relates to acquiring places for the Royal Parks Half Marathon.

Almost all of our money therefore goes to Tanzania, transferred on an as-needed basis. Malaika Kids Netherlands has traditionally raised more than 30% of the total funding needed in Tanzania. This has been generated by heroic efforts made by a small number of active trustees. This may not be sustainable in the longer term, so MKUK needs to continue to grow in order to assure the future of Malaika Kids Tanzania. The annual budget to be spent in 2023 in Tanzania is £330,000 – considerably higher than MKUK's 2022 income of £164,000. Fundraising will continue in the Netherlands (and in the US and in Tanzania itself) but there could be choppy water ahead.

Reserves in the UK as of end 2022 at £650,000 would support just two years of budgeted operations in Tanzania if no new income were obtained. Given that young children can be with us for nearly two decades, we don't really have a lot of money... so we continue to be glad of all the financial support we can get!

### A word of thanks

Our thanks go to our senior staff, mamas in Tanzania, and to our volunteers who have travelled to Tanzania. The biggest thanks of all go to our individual supporters all over the world who continue to donate both their time and money to ensure that the children continue to thrive. Please keep on supporting us!

## Malaika Kids Annual Accounts 2022

### Income and Expenditure Account

Year ended 31 December 2022

		2022	2021
	Notes	£	£
	1		
<b>Income</b>			
Donations		145,322	157,757
Gift Aid	2	15,167	11,706
Bank interest		3,430	2,976
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>163,919</b>	<b>172,439</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Funds transferred to Tanzania		119,625	107,190
Event costs		2,444	2,364
UK fundraising costs		854	544
Bank charges		317	489
Website development and maintenance		468	4,540
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>123,708</b>	<b>115,127</b>
<b>Net Income for the year</b>		<b>40,211</b>	<b>57,312</b>

## Balance Sheet

Year ended 31 December 2022

		2022	2021
	Notes	£	£
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash at bank		650,372	610,161
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>650,372</b>	<b>610,161</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>		-	-
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>650,372</b>	<b>610,161</b>
<b>Funds</b>	<b>3</b>		
Balance at start of year		610,161	552,849
Surplus in year		40,211	57,312
<b>Funds at end of year</b>		<b>650,372</b>	<b>610,161</b>

## Notes to the Accounts

		2022	2021
		£	£
<b>Note 1</b>	<b>Accounting basis</b>		
	These accounts have been prepared on a cash basis.		
<b>Note 2</b>	<b>Gift Aid receipts</b>		
	These relate to donations received in the year.		
<b>Note 3</b>	<b>Charity's funds</b>		
	Restricted funds, received from and restricted by the donors.	-	20,000
	<b>Reserves restricted by the trustees</b>		
	Continuity Reserve, determined by the trustees. This will be reviewed and adjusted annually. It does not represent a contractual obligation and the trustees may lift the restriction at any time.	550,000	500,000
	Unrestricted funds	100,372	90,161
	<b>Total</b>	<b>650,372</b>	<b>610,161</b>



## We are Malaika Kids

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Registered Charity No. 1118149

### Bank Details

Bank: CAF Bank  
Name: Malaika Kids UK  
Account: 00093337  
Sort Code: 40-52-40



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**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Malaika Kids UK

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31 December 2022

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1118149

**Set out on pages**

18, 19

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

**Signed:**

**Date:**

6.2.23

**Name:**

Cyril Barratt

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qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

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England & Wales - Charity number 1118149

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# Accounts

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# Malaika Kids UK

## Annual Report and Accounts 2021



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## Malaika Kids in Numbers

A summary of the number of children being cared for by Malaika Kids Tanzania.

	Reception Home	Relatives Support Programme	Children’s Village	Total
Children at beginning of 2021	13	89	72	<b>174</b>
Incoming – external	+16	+22	+5	<b>+43</b>
Moved from Children’s Village	+5	0	-5	<b>0</b>
Placed with family	-6	-7	-4	<b>-17</b>
Moved to Children’s Village	-9	-2	+11	<b>0</b>
Left Malaika Kids	0	-5	-3	<b>-8</b>
<b>Total at end of year 2021</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>192</b>

- The overall numbers of children helped at year-end has continued to grow to 192 – and will probably exceed 200 in the near future.
- In addition, 17 children were helped on a short-term temporary basis, before an appropriate home was found.
- The Reception Home is close to full capacity. We may shortly need to rent extra room for older children doing courses near to the Reception Home.
- We help nearly 100 children through the Relatives Support Programme. These children are supported in the community, often cared for by a grandmother.

## A Year in the Life of Malaika Kids

Our priority during 2021 was to keep our staff and children safe from Covid-19 and we substantially achieved this goal. We feel we have overcome the worst and face 2022 with excitement and enthusiasm. Here follow some of the highlights of 2021.

## January

Our Malaika Kids had a good Christmas break in the Children's Village. As you know, each child lives in a family unit of up to 10 children, looked after by a live-in mama. This model provides a consistent base for those children who attend special and boarding schools. When they return home for the holidays, they really do return home to their Malaika family and mama.



One group wrote, 'It was a very nice Christmas holiday and Christmas day we ate very good foods like chips, chicken, pilau, samosa, donuts, chapatti and we drank soda and a very good milk tea. And also we have some music and we danced and enjoyed very much.'

Another told us about their outing to the seaside. They said, 'We enjoyed a lot on the beach and we learned how to swim so that we can immediately help if someone sink in water... we visited beach of Barakuda and enjoyed so much to swim in the very big ocean. We played music and other very good games.'



## February

Because of Covid-19 reports, we in Europe have encouraged the staff in Tanzania to give these health concerns their top priority and take all appropriate measures. We suggest these should include:

- Stopping travel between the Children's Village in Mkuranga and Dar es Salaam – use phones instead.
- Avoid field visits related to the Relatives Support Programme – make food collections as safe as possible.
- Continue to send kids to school if legally obliged but require masks and social distancing wherever possible.
- Defer 'regulatory compliance' actions (e.g. with the Occupational Safety and Health Authority) that involve external visits by our staff or external people visiting MK premises.
- Try to ensure that buying and selling of food, etc., is done with minimal external contact.



And of course, continue to ensure all children and staff wash their hands and use hand sanitizer. As we have told them, 'We would like you to feel empowered to act (and let us know later).'



## March

Over the past 15 years, the number of children we support has gradually risen to what is now an all-time high of 174. However, this total gives only a very partial picture of the work that we do.

The Reception Home is where traumatised or abandoned children are brought to us by Welfare. Sometimes this is only temporary. Initially, we utilise the local television station, which has a programme designed to try to unite families.

We try hard to find a family member who can look after these children in the community, with help from us with food, school costs including uniforms, and health insurance. This is organised through our Relatives Support Programme, (as pictured on this report's front cover).

There are many children for whom we cannot find a suitable family. When this is the case, we transfer them from the Reception Home to our purpose-built Children's Village in Mkuranga.

As they become adults, older children leave the Children's Village and move to the Reception Home in Dar es Salaam where they continue with their learning.



For example, 12 are at present undertaking training courses in, among other things, accountancy, carpentry, law, social work and teaching in Dar es Salaam. We look forward to them joining their brothers and sisters in employment in the next few years.

Even though they had a difficult start in life they are now making a positive contribution to society.



## April

For some months the children were unable to go to school due to Covid-19 regulations and were 'home schooled' by us. And there has been no serious health issue for any of our children or staff so far. Sadly, one of our supporters, a carpenter (pictured below on the right) who made desks for the local primary school and trained up two of our children, died of 'pneumonia.'



Former President Magufuli died in March 2021. He was immediately succeeded by his Vice President, Samia Suluhu Hassan, the first woman to hold the post.



Malaika Kids UK issued its Annual Report and Accounts for 2020. The income of Malaika Kids UK was down £40,000 on the prior year, largely due to the effects that the Covid-19 pandemic had on fundraising. We are budgeting to spend £260,000 in Tanzania this year. So we are glad that we also have friends and supporters in the Netherlands, the US, and in Tanzania who contribute, allowing our reserves overall to remain broadly stable. The outlook is fine, providing we can get through Covid-19 and its variants!

## May

Najma has been looking after children for 'as long as I can remember.' She brought up six of her own as well as taking care of children who had no one else to turn to. For many years this meant opening her own house behind the vegetable market to three or four or five children who would otherwise be begging on the street.



She says, 'It was like a dream come true to hear that a whole village would be built to care for vulnerable children. I would be able to help so many more kids now.' The Children's Village was officially opened by the former President of Tanzania, Dr Mwinyi, in 2010.



When she visits during the holidays she is mobbed by small children on her arrival. After disentangling herself she gets down to work, talking to each of the ten Mamas and advising on any problems they may have. For example, children who have recently joined us are often traumatised by events in their past life, and bedwetting is commonplace until they settle down. Some children have never slept in a bed before.

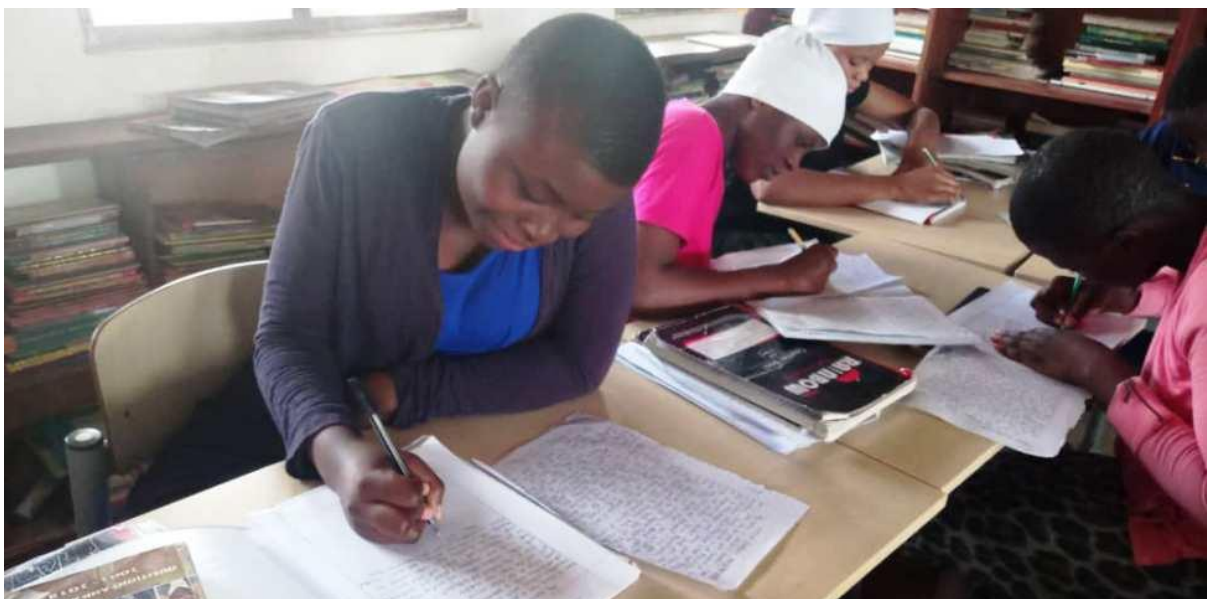
## June

In Tanzania, the school year runs from January to December, and the month of June is always a holiday month. The Children's Village is very busy with an overall total of 71 children as young as 2 and as old as 19 years.

The younger children are thoroughly enjoying the new playground equipment that your generous donations have enabled us to buy. The old equipment had lasted for ten years and was becoming very rickety and unsafe.



The secondary children have each been busy writing us a short essay. 'The year is 2025. Describe a day in your life.' Some have very high expectations – seeking to become a doctor or a lawyer is popular. Generally, we would ask for a more 'realistic' objective, but the girl who wants to be a pilot is startlingly clever and we would not rule it out! Others have more modest ambitions, such as becoming a shopkeeper. In this case, we try to explain that a formal apprenticeship or college qualification after leaving school will always be useful.



## July

The government has now begun to be open about the pandemic. President Hassan said earlier this month, 'The third wave is already in the country'.



Our children are young and healthy and are not at great risk. But we worry for some of our older staff and in particular for the carers of the children in our Relatives Support Programme, many of whom are grandmothers and most of whom live in Dar es Salaam.



We have made sure that they understand the dangers of the infection and have provided them all with masks.

At the beginning of July, the children returned to school after a month's holiday; one of our mothers gave birth to a healthy baby boy, and two more orphaned children joined our Malaika Kids family. One older boy is getting ready to leave us to go to college in September.

## August

Over the past month, we have had an unusually high number of children – six – moving into our Children’s Village, perhaps as a result of the increasing strain on the Welfare system.

Our latest arrivals are three-month-old twins whose mother recently died. They came to us earlier this week. Both are being looked after by the same mama. Last week a two-year-old girl joined us from an orphanage that only looks after babies and tries to find more permanent homes for their children when they grow older.



Earlier this month we were joined by a brother and sister who had been abandoned, first by their parents and then by their grandmother. Despite what must have been a very traumatic time for them, they are academically gifted and we are delighted that the fee-paying, English-speaking primary school next door to the Children’s Village has agreed to accept them in years 4 and 5.

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	Reception Home	Relatives Support Programme	Children’s Village	Total
Children at beginning of 2021	13	89	72	<b>174</b>
Incoming – external	+16	+22	+5	<b>+43</b>
Moved from Children’s Village	+5	0	-5	<b>0</b>
Placed with family	-6	-7	-4	<b>-17</b>
Moved to Children’s Village	-9	-2	+11	<b>0</b>
Left Malaika Kids	0	-5	-3	<b>-8</b>
<b>Total at end of year 2021</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>192</b>

- The overall numbers of children helped at year-end has continued to grow to 192 – and will probably exceed 200 in the near future.
- In addition, 17 children were helped on a short-term temporary basis, before an appropriate home was found.
- The Reception Home is close to full capacity. We may shortly need to rent extra room for older children doing courses near to the Reception Home.
- We help nearly 100 children through the Relatives Support Programme. These children are supported in the community, often cared for by a grandmother.

## A Year in the Life of Malaika Kids

Our priority during 2021 was to keep our staff and children safe from Covid-19 and we substantially achieved this goal. We feel we have overcome the worst and face 2022 with excitement and enthusiasm. Here follow some of the highlights of 2021.

## January

Our Malaika Kids had a good Christmas break in the Children's Village. As you know, each child lives in a family unit of up to 10 children, looked after by a live-in mama. This model provides a consistent base for those children who attend special and boarding schools. When they return home for the holidays, they really do return home to their Malaika family and mama.



One group wrote, 'It was a very nice Christmas holiday and Christmas day we ate very good foods like chips, chicken, pilau, samosa, donuts, chapatti and we drank soda and a very good milk tea. And also we have some music and we danced and enjoyed very much.'

Another told us about their outing to the seaside. They said, 'We enjoyed a lot on the beach and we learned how to swim so that we can immediately help if someone sink in water... we visited beach of Barakuda and enjoyed so much to swim in the very big ocean. We played music and other very good games.'



## February

Because of Covid-19 reports, we in Europe have encouraged the staff in Tanzania to give these health concerns their top priority and take all appropriate measures. We suggest these should include:

- Stopping travel between the Children's Village in Mkuranga and Dar es Salaam – use phones instead.
- Avoid field visits related to the Relatives Support Programme – make food collections as safe as possible.
- Continue to send kids to school if legally obliged but require masks and social distancing wherever possible.
- Defer 'regulatory compliance' actions (e.g. with the Occupational Safety and Health Authority) that involve external visits by our staff or external people visiting MK premises.
- Try to ensure that buying and selling of food, etc., is done with minimal external contact.



And of course, continue to ensure all children and staff wash their hands and use hand sanitizer. As we have told them, 'We would like you to feel empowered to act (and let us know later).'



## March

Over the past 15 years, the number of children we support has gradually risen to what is now an all-time high of 174. However, this total gives only a very partial picture of the work that we do.

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## April

For some months the children were unable to go to school due to Covid-19 regulations and were 'home schooled' by us. And there has been no serious health issue for any of our children or staff so far. Sadly, one of our supporters, a carpenter (pictured below on the right) who made desks for the local primary school and trained up two of our children, died of 'pneumonia.'



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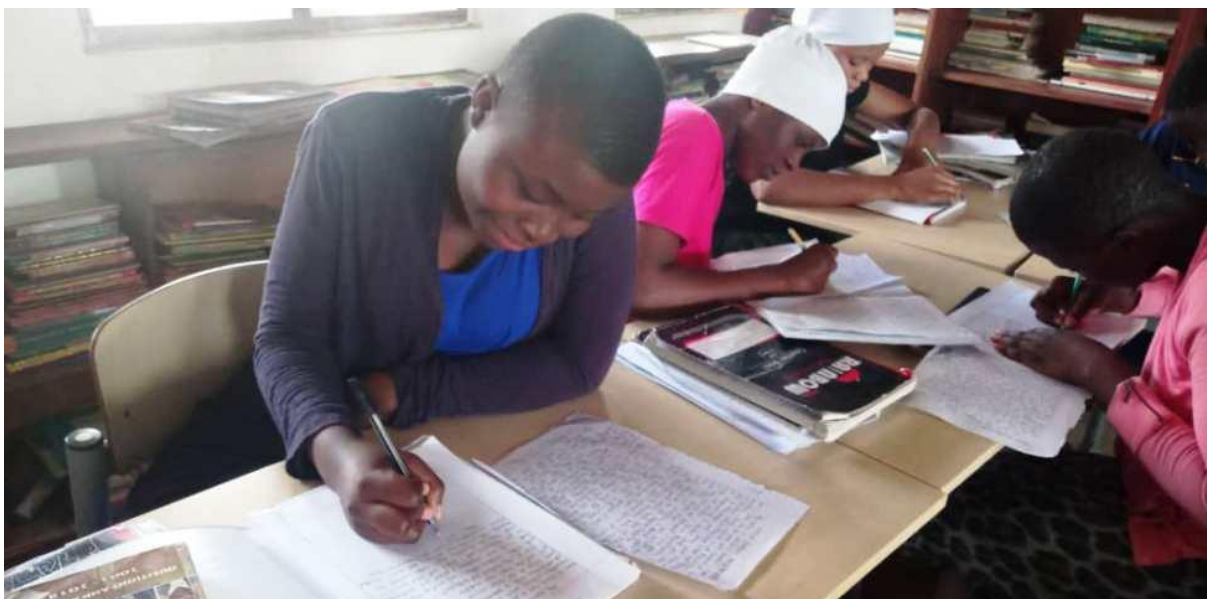
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Surplus in the year		57,312	33,364
<b>Funds at end of year</b>		<b>610,161</b>	<b>552,849</b>

## Notes to the Accounts

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

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On accounts for the year ended

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[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

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10 February 2022

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Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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**MALAIKA KIDS UK**

England & Wales - Charity number 1118149

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# Accounts

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# Malaika Kids UK

Annual Report & Accounts 2020

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## Introduction

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### Structural Changes

While this year has been dominated by Covid, 2019 and 2020 have also been years of structural change for Malaika Kids.

New legislation in Tanzania through *The Written (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act, NO 3 of 2019* amended various laws including the Trustees Act and the Non-Governmental Organisations Act of 2002. The said Act specifically required all organisations dealing with charitable activities to be registered with the NGO Act and not any other Act. Hence Malaika Orphanage Foundation shifted from the registry of Trust to the registry of NGOs in Tanzania. For Malaika Kids Tanzania (MKTZ) this resulted in a new constitution effective in 2020. This puts all the legal power for running Malaika Kids Tanzania explicitly into Tanzanian hands.

Malaika Kids UK nevertheless retains significant influence over its funding support. We talk with MKTZ once a week by Skype and we share the same focus on the welfare of the children that the local management has. We did visit in January 2020, and we look forward to visiting again as soon as it is safe to do so.

We are party to the annual budget and, along with MKNL, contract to fund that and any other unforeseen amount that everyone agrees to (other than around 10 percent that is raised inside Tanzania). We transfer money monthly on an as-needed basis, and we have full visibility of the Tanzanian accounts via QuickBooks accounting software for transparency and to make sure the funds are well spent.

The monthly funds transfer request is prepared in Tanzania. It is scrutinised by Maarten Steemers, the Netherlands treasurer, on behalf of both MKNL and MKUK, before going to the Chairs of MKUK and MKNL for approval. The transfer is then managed by each party on a more or less rotating basis. It is assumed that MKUK will provide 60% and MKNL 40% of the balance required (though contractually, MKUK guarantees the MKNL payment in case of default, and vice versa). MKUS is not contractually obligated to MKTZ but does co-ordinate closely with MKUK.

With the new constitution under the NGO Act, Malaika Kids Tanzania (Malaika Orphanage Foundation) is also subject to a number of new regulations. Compliance with such regulations has been a major administrative challenge in 2020.

So far, the change in legal structure has proceeded smoothly. MKUK and MKNL meet jointly once a month by Zoom. We fundraise independently but share information on developments in Tanzania.

The next part of this report describes what has been happening inside Tanzania, followed by the formal MKUK Annual Report and Accounts.

## Activities in Tanzania

### Reception Home

Our Reception Home in Kinondoni (situated in a central and poor part of Dar es Salaam) is where Malaika Kids began.

When Welfare needs a safe haven for a child being abused, and perhaps a parent is taken to court, we may be asked to take care of the child for a period of time. Sometimes, it is safe to return the child to another family member; sometimes we need to offer on-going care.



Najma and Shezan typically spend several weeks checking out the options for a child who is brought to us. We often use a local tv station as an aid. If no family-based solution is available, we then seek to transfer the child to our Children's Village in Mkuranga.

There are movements from the Reception Home to the Children's Village but also vice versa from CV to RH -- especially when an older child needs to return to Dar es Salaam in order to do training courses that are more readily available there. As of year-end, in the Reception Home, we had four "Welfare kids" under assessment (this figure fluctuates through the year) and nine older children doing training courses.

The Reception Home is also valuable as the site from which we operate the Relatives Support Programme. This is where the children attend to collect basic food parcels, which include soap, every two weeks.

Summary of the number of children at Malaika Kids Tanzania

	Reception Home	Relatives Support Programme	Children's Village	Total
Children at beginning of year	19	81	67	167
Incoming - external	22	15	1	38
Moved from CV	1		1	0
Placed with family	13		5	18
Moved to CV	11		11	0
Left Malaika Kids	5	7	1	13
<b>Total at end of year</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>174</b>



Children and staff at the Reception Home during lockdown

## Relatives Support Programme

Malaika Kids currently supports 89 children through our Relatives Support Programme. The following seven joined us in 2020.



This little boy is eight. His parents are dead, and he lives with his grandmother, who is blind.



This boy also lives with his grandmother. She breaks stones for building sites or sells cassava to bring in some money to buy food and pay the rent on this one room home.



This little girl lives with her mother, a young widow. The mother sells chapattis at the side of the road in order to help support them both.



Two brothers and their cousin (ages 13, 11 and 6) live with their single mothers and grandmother in a one-room house. Usually, they play outside and only go into the house to sleep so the rainy season is hard for them. One of the mothers is deaf; the other helps out in other homes minding the young children while the parents work in the fields.



The grandmother (centre) is shown here with two Malaika Kids members of staff, Mama Amina (left) and Mama K (right). They are checking on the health of the children and examining the school reports to make sure they are all attending school.



An older girl lives with her single mother. She has cerebral palsy and particularly needs help to pay for medicine. Our CEO, Najma Manji (on the right), recently visited her at the request of hospital social workers. We agreed to pay for health insurance for this girl so she is now entitled to free medicine.

Every two weeks all these children, and another 82 like them, receive a food package from Malaika Kids. We also provide medical insurance, without which it would be almost impossible to see a doctor and receive prescribed medicines. In addition, we make sure that children have school supplies and school uniforms. Without a school uniform, no child may attend school.

## Children's Village in Lockdown

In March, all the schools in Tanzania were closed due to the Coronavirus. Najma moved every child that she could to our Village in Mkuranga, including 13 children from the Reception Home in Dar es Salaam - mainly teenagers who were doing an apprenticeship and other courses that were temporarily closed down. All 75 children in the Village responded positively to the challenges facing them. Older children helped younger children with their homework...



And the computer room was used intensively under the expert guidance of Mama Haruma.

One of our younger girls had a nasty fall, resulting in a deep cut that needed 6 stitches. In the past, we would have taken her to the local hospital, where a competent job would have been done after a wait of several hours. We were loath to do this during lockdown as we feared the virus was already present in Mkuranga town, so our own Mama Martha, a trained nurse, was able to undertake the procedure herself.

Home-schooling was the rule in the morning, while teenagers were then available to help with various jobs around the village during the rest of the day. As well as taking turns as guards, the older boys also helped out with odd jobs and by painting the inside of some of our buildings.

The library was open during the day and is full of both English and Kiswahili books, many donated by International Book Aid. We also recently received a gift of uniforms which the younger children are proud to wear for in-house schooling each morning.

We minimised traffic into and out of the Village. During the daytime, we no longer used guards from outside. Instead, the older boys were on a rota to keep visitors out. Our two field workers were not allowed inside the gates. Staff had to live inside the Village or take extended leave.

Some of the older children sent messages to us.

*“I hope you are fine, Corona virus appeared in Tanzania in Arusha after one woman came with the virus from another country. This corona it affects a big number of people in the world. I am now learning many things. I help with the baby class and help some of the younger children with their homework.”*

Many of the children were concerned about us and anxious to tell us, in case we did not know, about the symptoms of coronavirus. We need to watch out for a cough and a fever.

*“Please stay at home and wash your hands with clean water. It is a very serious disease. Look after your families and protect yourselves.”*

Others had serious questions for which they needed answers...

- How many people have died in your country?
- Is the condition very bad in your country?
- Who was the first person who discovered this disease?
- How do you feel during this period?
- Is it true this year you may not come to Tanzania to see us?

We replied to each of the children's emails individually.

## Education

The schools returned in the second half of the year and national exams took place as usual. Four older children took the equivalent of O levels. Two will now go on to do A levels; one will look to do a business course and one will train as a teacher.

Meanwhile, three children leaving primary school (grade 7) all received A grade passes; a further six younger kids in grade 4 all got As or Bs.

Qualifications are important for our kids as the job market is very tough. Some recent ‘Malaika Kids graduates’ have found work in a pipe factory, a restaurant and a food shop; some are still job hunting. Two of our boys are training as carpenters.

## Pre-school

Madam Tumaini (the Kiswahili word for ‘hope’) lives in Mkuranga town and walks to our Village every weekday to teach our pre-primary children. She also runs some remedial classes for our primary age children. She returned after lockdown and said:

*“I am so very happy to be back. It was good to have more time with my own children, (Hatiba, Lulu and Lukman), but I missed my children in the village.”*

We were very fortunate that in Tumaini’s absence one of our older Malaika kids, recently qualified as an early years’ Montessori teacher, was able to step in temporarily to teach our children.

Madam Tumaini began working for us part-time in 2012 and moved to a full-time post the following year. She trained as a teacher in Zanzibar and taught there for 5 years before moving to Mkuranga.

She has a well-equipped classroom with lots of bright pictures and educational aids on the walls. During our last visit, she asked for better toilet facilities for her younger children – we have been able to make some inexpensive alterations that the children are very happy with, especially with the emphasis now on washing hands frequently because of the virus.

It is always great fun to accompany Tumaini on the weekly walk she undertakes with the children. They explore our farm and the bush surrounding it. There is always a new plant to see or a new animal to investigate.

Tumaini arrives at our village at 7:45 in the morning. She leaves us around 4 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, after the children have had a 45-minute sleep and she has cleaned the classroom and prepared the materials for the next day. Three days a week she leaves at 5 pm as she teaches an hour-long remedial class for some of our less academic primary school children. Our children are generally doing very well at primary school in large part due to Tumaini's expertise. She says...

*“My heart is happy for the Standard 4 kids who did so well at the end of last year in the national exams. Teaching is my hobby. I love my job.”*



Tumaini has a valuable temporary assistant until she starts college later this year

## Farm and Maintenance Work

Julius, our farm and maintenance manager, is out of his house by 7 am and takes 20 minutes to walk to the Children's Village. He will have a working breakfast with James, the Village Manager, and Emanuel, our Child Support Manager. There is time for a quick chat beforehand with Baraka and Saidi, who work full time on the farm.



Left to right: Julius, James and Emanuel ready to attend a ceremony at Mkuranga primary school

Depending on the time of year, Julius's 12-hour day is spent either on the farm or on the maintenance of the village. The climate is very unforgiving and almost every year we have a weather-induced emergency! In 2020 it was unusually heavy rains from February to May. Our land was flooded and many crops were waterlogged. In addition, we had to cope with a sharp rise in the water basin which left half our toilets and showers unusable for weeks. It was Julius's remit to sort out all of this.

Julius is very well qualified for the job he is doing for us. He has a Diploma in Water Supply and Sanitation Engineering and a Degree in Civil Irrigation and Engineering. Before joining Malaika Kids he worked for 2 years on dam construction for the Ministry of Water in northern Tanzania. It was there that he met his partner.

Julius joined us on 1 December 2016 and it is no exaggeration to say that he has revolutionised both our farm and our maintenance programmes.

Before he joined us the farm was struggling badly. Failed initiatives with goats and chickens and biogas generation had cost us considerable money and time. His approach has been incremental; to find out what we are good at and then do more of it. So he has concentrated on crops that suit our extraordinarily sandy soil - cassava, pineapples, bananas and cashew nuts. The latter crop is particularly valuable to us as there is a guaranteed market for it from the government.



Teaching our children about the crops

As far as maintenance is concerned Julius has involved the older children in helping out, particularly in the school holidays. When we last visited, the boys were helping install new mosquito nets and they have also painted classrooms and watched and learned as Julius fixed damaged water pumps. Julius can turn his hand to anything practical, making new washbasin stands for the younger kids and installing new netball posts so that the girls and mamas can further improve their already impressive shooting abilities.



Fixing the water pump

Every evening at 5 pm, all the village kids have an hour of exercise before getting ready for supper. Julius is the key supervisor as kids play football, volleyball or netball. Sometimes, he organises an athletics evening: this involves mixed ability relay races, long jumps and all sorts of made-up events to keep everyone happy and involved (and supervised and safe).



Julius fixes everything around the village, even beds!

When we asked him how long he would like to stay with us, he replied, ***"I am very happy here. I have no limit."***

And we are delighted to hear it!



## MKUK Chair Report

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Our loyal supporters have been magnificent during the current Covid pandemic. Thanks to a record-breaking response to our Christmas Appeal, we were able to finish the year having raised a significant £140,000. Not surprisingly, this was down on the prior year of £180,000.

We were unable to benefit from a golf tournament, or our usual participation in the Royal Parks Half Marathon. We did, however, have one supporter (Jane Moon) who ran 5k every day for 26 days in May, raising an amazing £2,298 for Malaika Kids in the process (thank you and well done!).

We have a group of supporters who donate every month (we are very grateful - this is our favourite method). However, there is also a growing pattern for supporters to give what they can when the Christmas appeal comes around - this is becoming like a regular donation.

Enormous thanks go to our stalwart band of trustees for their time, expertise and commitment. A special thank you to John Whitworth for taking on the accounting role vacated by Renata Simon, who has served us well for 16 months. We welcome and thank Cyril Barratt as our independent external examiner.

In addition, we thank our website editor Rob Heap, and Kevin Cusack, who edits and produces the monthly newsletter, the annual report and he is working on our new website.

Meetings in 2020 have been largely conducted by Zoom; thanks to Emile (sometimes to Martin) for setting these up. Despite the number of participants, trustees have been patient in muting until they needed to speak, so that we managed to get through our agendas in an efficient manner. (All the same, I am very keen to get back to face-to-face meetings!).

Francesca and I did manage to visit Tanzania in January 2020, just before the Covid lockdown (which then prevented any further visits from us in Europe). The highlight for us was being able to participate in the opening of the new classroom block. As a result of a special MKUK and MKNL appeal in 2019, MK donated lots of desks and chairs, and also a toilet block to the local Mkuranga Primary School. Francesca's speech, read fluently in Swahili from a prepared script, caused quite a stir!

So far, our organisation in Tanzania has not been directly hit by Covid. Nor have we yet seen a wave of kids newly made orphans by the deaths of elderly carers. We shall see what 2021 brings – we are in good shape to be there for new children, while continuing to look after and educate the kids we already have.

With best wishes

Alan Edwards  
UK Chair

## Malaika Kids UK Trustees

	Trustee	Last elected
Chair	Alan Edwards	2019
Treasurer	Emile Farhi	2019
Secretary	Phil Cooke	2019
Honorary President	Nigel Fawkes	2020
	Claire Carter	2020
	Francesca Edwards	2020
	Helen Marriage	2020
	Sophie Florentin-Siu	2020
	Chris Tomlinson	2018
	Martin Stoll	2018
	Alison Clewlow	2019
	John Whitworth	2019
	Dr Simon Cooper	2020 Co-opted

Malaika Kids UK has 50 members who are either trustees (13) or who have been long-standing supporters of Malaika Kids. It is the members who elect the trustees to run the charity on their behalf. The elections take place at the Annual General Meeting - typically in May. Trustees are elected for three-year terms and can be re-elected. We try to ensure that around one third of the trustees are re-elected every year so as to maximise continuity.

There is a permanent invitation to the Chair of MKNL (Ton Willemsen) and Treasurer of MKNL (Maarten Steemers) to attend the monthly MKUK trustee meetings in order to decide matters of mutual interest.

### Our Quest for Financial Stability

There is no governmental support for Malaika Kids in Tanzania or elsewhere. No major institution gives us multi-year support. We are reliant on our loyal supporters and donations from trust funds every year in order to continue our work. So far, our donors have done us proud, and we have some reserves. But what we would really like to have is a regular monthly income that we can plan around. 97% of donations we receive go directly to help the children we support in Tanzania to give them a stable, cared for upbringing.

You might want to consider helping us with a monthly standing order via CAF Bank; to the account of Malaika Kids UK, account number 00093337, sort code 40-52-40. You may also like to remember Malaika Kids UK if you are updating your will.

## MKUK Accounts

### Income and Expenditure Account

Year ended 31 December 2020

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Registration and legal fees		1,479	1,466
Bank charges		765	1255
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<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Registration and legal fees			1,477
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>552,849</b>	<b>519,485</b>
<b>Funds</b>	<b>3</b>		
Balance at start of year		519,485	458,970
Surplus in the year		33,364	60,515
<b>Funds at end of year</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>552,849</b>	<b>519,485</b>



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<b>Note 4</b>	Reserves in Tanzania (excluding land and buildings), the Netherlands, the USA and the UK together amount to a total of £929,000.  Since the budget of MKTZ for 2021 is £261,000, this amount represents 3.6 years of forward cover.  Given our long-term commitment to all the children in our care, uncertain fundraising in the future, and covid dangers in Tanzania, the financial situation is delicately balanced.		



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Malaika Kids UK

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 December 2020

Charity no  
(if any)

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Independent  
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Signed:

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