

Siiboo

Chair Report
&
Accounts

Chairman's Report

Bakindik Early Childhood Development School

Dear Sponsors, Supporters, and Friends,

It is with a mix of gratitude and resolve that I present this year's report on the operations of our Early Childhood Development School in Bakindik, The Gambia. The past year has been fraught with challenges, yet also marked by moments of progress that reaffirm the importance of the work we do.

Regrettably, we have seen no additions to our sponsorship program this year. This has compounded the financial strain we experienced during the pandemic, which continues to impact our ability to consistently supply the school with necessary consumables. Despite these challenges, the spirit of our mission remains strong, and we continue to persevere.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to our dedicated team in The Gambia, who have selflessly agreed to maintain their positions without an annual increment in remuneration. Their commitment to the children and community of Bakindik is truly admirable and underpins the continuation of our work during these trying times.

In light of our financial constraints, we have had to scale back the feeding program to two days per week. While this decision was difficult, we are hopeful that it will be a temporary measure as we actively seek additional financial support through sponsorships here in the UK.

On a brighter note, we were able to provide new uniforms for the children this year, and the school has received a fresh coat of paint, greatly improving its appearance and creating a more welcoming environment. Although there is still work to be done—mostly aesthetic improvements—we are optimistic that these projects will be addressed in the months ahead, pending the availability of funds.

While this has not been an easy year, the rewards of our efforts can be seen in the education we continue to provide to the children of Bakindik, entirely free of charge. Their smiles, progress, and enthusiasm for learning remind us of the vital role this school plays in their lives and the future of their community.

Finally, I extend my deepest gratitude to our sponsors, without whom none of this would be possible. Your generosity fuels our mission and brings hope to so many. Thanks also to our tireless team of volunteers in the UK, who continue to support and champion our cause.

As we look to the year ahead, we remain committed to overcoming the challenges we face and ensuring that the children of Bakindik receive the quality education they deserve. Together, we can make a lasting difference.

Yours sincerely,
Sharon Fox
Chairman

Charity Name Siiboo		No (if any) 1161802		CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	Period start date 25 th March 2023	To	Period end date 25 th March 2024	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Sponsorship Program	-	2,047	-	2,047	2,132
Donations	1,570	-	-	1,570	512
Fund Raising	696	-	-	696	1,277
Gift Aid	1,323	-	-	1,323	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	3,589	2,047	-	5,636	3,921
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	3,589	2,047	-	5,636	3,921
A3 Payments					
Wages	2,400	-	-	2,400	1,032
Shipping	550	-	-	550	464
Building	-	-	-	-	3,179
Feeding Program	231	-	-	231	-
Uniforms	385	-	-	385	-
Poultry	425	-	-	425	-
Fee's & Licenses UK	201	-	-	201	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,192	-	-	4,192	4,675
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	4,192	-	-	4,192	4,675
Net of receipts/(payments)	-603	2,047	-	1,444	-754
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-603	2,047	-	1,444	-754

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Account	910	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	910	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	Agreement Error	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
	N/A	-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	N/A		-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	N/A		-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	N/A		-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Colin Fox	22/01/25	