



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 January 2025 To 31 December 2025

Charity name: Bouncing Books Foundation

Charity registration number: 1194053

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objective of the Bouncing Books Foundation is to advance education of school pupils, promote reading skills and provide academic schoolbooks and other educational equipment to disadvantaged children in Tanzania through the provision of Library facilities. The benefits and value of this service to the schools and pupils it serves are: 1. To increase knowledge and reading/literacy abilities of both Primary and Secondary school pupils 2. To improve access for teachers and pupils to academic books and equipment 3. To improve access to school/academic books written in both English and local languages 4. To increase access to English Books that will in turn, increase English Language skills 5. To help prepare pupils for opportunities, responsibilities and experiences in later life 6. The overall advancement of teacher educational supplies, improving their ability to teach and develop students.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	BBF meet the public benefit requirement where we provide our projects to schools in Tanzania.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Yes we confirm we have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity commission on public benefit (PB 1 – 3).

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	We have initially set ourselves the challenge of supporting and hopefully transforming 10 government primary schools based in the Arusha region, through our 4 core pillars: • Library Bus Services • Educational Materials • Children's Books • Building Libraries Please see the Appendices 1 & 2 for further details of progress during the year in each of our Newsletters sent to our supporters. - Newsletter #4 – 20 March 2025 - Newsletter #5 – 15 December 2025
Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	It is too early to say what the KPIs have been until we see the libraries fully in operation and with a track record of exam results for the Standard 4 and 7 years which is made publically available. However on a high level basis we note the X schools together have almost XXXX students all of which we believe will benefit from better access to educational resources designed to improve their opportunities for success in English in Secondary school once they finish primary school.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Our fundraising has been in line with our marketing objectives. We note that the intention is not to over raise funds and to gradually grow capacity in order to scale up operations only as and when we are comfortable we have proof of concept and we are seeing successful outcomes with the students and teachers on the ground.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<u>Financial position</u> The cash funds of BBF UK at the end of 31/12/2023 are GBP 47,199 (2024: GBP 42,269 ; 2023: GBP 40,506 ; 2022: GBP 33,239) which consists of: - Unrestricted funds of GBP 33,699 (2024: GBP 26,082). Note GBP 6,000 of this is considered the reserve balance. - Restricted funds of GBP 13,500 (2024: GBP 16,187) The net income after payments used for operations of BBF for the year ended 31/12/23 was GBP 4,930 (2024: GBP 1,762 ; 2023: GBP 7,267 ; 2022: GBP 13,739; 2021: GBP 19,500). The receipts of BBF UK for the year ended 31/12/23 were GBP 34,993 (2024: GBP 24,143 ; 2023: GBP 33,692 ; 2022: GBP 13,739) which consisted of: - Unrestricted funds received of GBP 19,941 (2024: GBP 11,456 ; 2023: GBP 8,807) - Restricted funds received of GBP 15,052 ((2024: GBP 12,687 ; 2023: GBP 24,886) The payments of BBF UK for the year ended 31/12/23 were GBP 26,425 (2022: Nil) which consisted of: - Unrestricted funds used of GBP 12,324 (2024: GBP 9,826 ; 2023: GBP 4,094) - Restricted funds used of GBP 17,739 (2024: GBP 12,255 ; 2023: GBP 22,331) <u>Format of the Accounts</u> In accordance with the UK Charity Commission guidance a set of "Receipts and Payments accounts" have been prepared as charities registered in England and Wales that are not companies are allowed under section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 to prepare receipts and payments accounts provided the charity's gross income is not over GBP 250,000. <u>Independent Review of Accounts</u> If the income of a charity is more than GBP 25,000 then charity law requires the trustees to have an external scrutiny of the accounts which is permitted to be an independent examination in accordance with These accounts have been independently examined following the requirements by the Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act which places three specific duties on the examiner: • firstly they must carry out the independent examination in accordance with the Commission's Directions; • secondly they must make their independent examiner's report to the charity's trustees; and • thirdly they must consider if matters of material significance have come to their attention during the independent examination which give rise to a legal duty to report direct to the Commission. The signed independence examiners report for the "Receipts and Payments accounts" for the year ended 31 December 2025 is available to review in Appendix 3 which does not highlight any matters of concern.
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Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The first trustees Rachel and Luke Ellyard provided the charity with GBP 6,000 as the initial cash injection to commence the charities operations which will be maintained as a base level of cash held. This will be continue to be maintained as the 'reserve' and bottom cash limit of the charity in order that the charity retains sufficient cash resources should there is insufficient funding raised in the future. If this bottom limit is breached the charity will not commit to any further projects until sufficient additional funding is raised. Given the charity does not have any liabilities at present, and expenses will only be incurred and projects commenced should sufficient donations be received and cash on hand to start and tagged to each project, we consider this a sufficient level of reserves to be held for any unexpected or future uncertainties. If this changes and liabilities are incurred then this policy will be reassessed. The reserve amount of GBP 6,000 is included within the Unrestricted balance. Note in addition to the initial cash injection the first trustees incurred start-up expenses to set up the BBF UK and BBF Tanzania entities however the first trustees have confirmed they will not request any reimbursement for these expenses incurred and this is a not a liability of the charity.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	GBP6,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	No deficit has been incurred.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No concerns with the ability of the charity to continue to operate as a going concern.
The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charities current principal sources of fundings comes from: 1) One off donations via website - donations received via online payments, managed by Stripe and received directly from Stripe into BBF UK Barclays bank account; 2) Monthly subscription donations via website – donations received via online payments, managed by Stripe and received directly from Stripe into BBF UK Barclays bank account; 3) Direct one off donations from individuals – these are received via online bank transfer or cheque with money received into the BBF UK Barclays bank account. If these are large donations based on discussions with the individual we designate these as 'restricted' if the individuals request the use be for a specific project. 4) Donations from Corporates – these are received via online bank transfer directly into the BBF UK Barclays bank account. 5) Cash donations - received by hand to Trustees at events or from individuals and deposited into account via transfer from trustees own bank account. <i>Note this amount is minimal and requests are made to donors to either directly deposit into Barclays bank account or go via the website.</i>

		<u>Gift Aid</u> - During 2023 BBF UK applied to the UK HMRC for recognition as a charity for tax purposes for which approval was obtained in a letter dated 21 July 2023 which is retrospective and takes effect from 17 December 2020 recognising Bouncing Books Foundation as a Charitable Trust. - The letter confirms the following in relation to Gift Aid - Only donations we receive after 17 December 2020 are eligible for the Gift Aid scheme. - We must make claims for repayment of tax under the Gift Aid scheme within 4 years of the end of the tax year in which we receive the Gift Aid donations. HMRC won't repay tax outside of this time limit. - Donors using the website portal are requested to confirm whether the donation can have gift aid reclaimed and the relevant information is retained and a declaration form is produced which we can use for the audit trail. - We review and assess all the donations received directly into the bank account and then contact the donor to obtain the required signed gift aid declaration form in order that we can reclaim gift aid in relation that donation. - The charity reviewed all the donations received during the period to 31/12/23-18/11/25 in order to submit a claim to HMRC which was submitted on 19/11/25 and a gift aid payment of GBP 4,424,35 was recovered on 1/12/25. - Going forward the charity will continue to review all the donations received in order to submit a claim to HMRC.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	No investment policy currently given the level of cash held. All funds are held with Barclays Bank UK and are sent to the BBF Tanzania bank accounts held with Stanbic Bank Tanzania as and when cash is required for expenses incurred in BBF Tanzania. This is in line with Funding agreement between BBF UK and BBF Tanzania dated 26 September 2023 which has been approved by the Registrar of NGOs in Tanzania.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Risk 1 (TOP RISK) – Taxation requirements in Tanzania as per the Tanzanian Revenue Authority. The nature of the tax regulations in Tanzania can change frequently based on the local interpretations of the tax law and inspectors considerations in a tax audit. Until 3 years have passed the local NGO is still considered a company (after which charity designation should be approved and different rules enacted) and subject to corporate tax and as such matching income and expenses as close as possible is critical. Every tax year is subject to audit sometimes years later and as such there is always a risk of potential tax penalties or charges being made after the year has ended. Risk mitigation – BBF Tanzania are subject to an audit of the annual financial statement and tax returns by a local audit firm. We have discussed potential concerns with the auditors are trying to ensure we have as close to nil net income in the BBF Tanzania in order to mitigate potential tax liabilities on received income. Risk 2 – Closure of UK Bank account due to increasingly stringent Banking requirements for Charities.

		In the UK the Banks are following strict Anti-money laundering (AML) and Know Your Client (KYC) requirements and recently a number of the UK high street banks have been closing SME and Not for Profit entities accounts including Charitable organisations. BBF were subject to significantly enhanced review by the specialist Charities team during early 2023 and provided all the required information to the Barclays team however there is always the risk that the Bank closes charitable organisation accounts in the future. We were also subject to follow up reviews in 2024 and 2025 for which we appropriately answered all questions raised. Risk mitigation – Many charities use a specialist organisation called CAF Bank for which we have established a customer relationship with the Group entity “Charities Aid Foundation” and would open a CAF Bank account if required. However in mitigation of any potential AML/KYC risk we follow the following procedures for all donations received: - Website donations - each donation received through the website requires from Stripe (the payments administrator) basic KYC information to be provided of the name and contact details of the donor. We review each and every donation to ensure we know the donor. If we do not know the donor we will contact them directly to establish the identity and document this for our records. - Direct donations into bank account and Corporate donors – we will only provide our bank details for direct donors to donors we know and as such have established their identity already and are comfortable with the background to their funds. - Direct cash donations – these are small donations received in cash from individuals and at events. Note to date this amount is minimal and requests are made to donors to either directly deposit into Barclays bank account or go via the website so we are comfortable this risk is minimal and not material. Risk 3 – Reporting requirements for the charity in UK and Tanzania. There are multiple reporting requirements for the charity in Tanzania which are subject to regulatory penalties and fines if their deadlines are missed for which the charity there is a risk of monetary penalties. Risk Mitigation – we are reviewing on a quarterly basis the submission requirements for the NGO commission and the tax authorities (TRA) to help ensure our compliance with regulatory and tax reporting requirements. There are quarterly reporting requirements to both the NGO commission and TRA which we submit in an online portal which are reviewed and approved by the authorities. Risk 4 - The operation of the charity on the ground in Tanzania depends on the availability of the 2 trustees. The ability of the trustees to live in Tanzania depends entirely on the success of the charity as their work and residence permits are dependent on the existence and operation of BBF Tanzania. The risk is therefore our local work and Residence permits not being renewed for the two first Trustees. Renewal and approval of visa and permits are done on a 2 year cycle for which the first cycle ended in May 2024 and the visas were renewed. The second cycle ends in March 2026 and new visas will be required. Risk
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		Mitigation – the local operations would be run by the local Tanzania director however this would incur additional cost and the long term viability of the local charity would likely be impacted. Risk 5 – Impact of Political Instability in Tanzania. Following election violence in Nov 2025 elections in Tanzania there is an increased risk of political and potentially economic instability. The risk is therefore our local work may be impacted by troubles and inability to complete our work given labour challenges and delays as was seen during the month of November when none of our work could be done. Risk Mitigation – the charity does not work with any political organisations hence no direct impact is expected. Any potential issues on the ground will be monitored on an ongoing basis and we will stop any work on the ground for any periods required.
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointment of trustees as per section 9 of the Trust Deed with no other constitutional provisions.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Bouncing Books Foundation
Other name the charity uses	Bouncing Books
Registered charity number	1194053
Charity's principal address	11 Little Sandhill, Kirkoswald, Penrith, Cumbria, United Kingdom, CA10 1EL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rachel Ellyard	Chairperson		
2	Luke Ellyard	Treasurer		
3	Jennifer Jackson	Secretary		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
None		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not required – disclosure provided

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Luke Anthony Ellyard	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Finance Officer	
Date	22 March 2026	

APPENDIX 1 – BOUNCING BOOKS – NEWSLETTER #4 - 20 March 2025

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world” – Nelson Mandela

Hello Bouncing Books Supporters,

Rachel and I hope you are all well. It has been a while since our last newsletter and we have lots to update you on including finishing our first two libraries, commencing our 3rd and 4th, working with a number of day care centres in the community, and receiving books from 2 UK schools.

Given everything going on in the world we find ourselves to be very lucky to be living in a beautiful part of the world surrounded by nature and wildlife and a community that often comes together to help each other in times of need. But resources are limited and the more you can help us the more we can achieve.

2025 Needs - Funding & Donations

Our funding goal in 2025 is to achieve a larger number of regular monthly contributions as this would really help us establish a solid consistent base of funding from which we can start to development future plans and support our wider work.

We have been lucky to receive some large donations from a couple of corporates and families. One family has dedicated a library in memory of their late (grand)father and another couple are planning to name it in honour of their two children so that can visit and track progress and understand how lives can be changed through their generosity and their families help. These are two amazing ways to help contribute and we can work with you to work out what may be the best way for you to contribute.

Additionally if you are able to spread the word about Bouncing Books and help us fundraise, we would be very grateful. Any help you can provide to encourage your friends and families to contribute a small amount each month would help us immensely.

Please see the following link to [Donate and Support Us - The Bouncing Books Foundation](#)

2024 H2 Progress

2 completed Libraries – Sura and Poli Primary schools

After the successful renovation of Sura Primary School, we have, through sponsorship from Clifford Chance LLP, completed our first new free-standing library on the school grounds. The Library was built from September – December 2023 and during 2024 we have been working on finalising the interior including with the help of various visitors we have had through the year!



At Poli Primary School we converted a disused classroom into a school Library. We were delighted to receive a wonderful private donation that supported the transformation of this space.



Together both these libraries now support over 650 children to try and improve their access to English books for understanding and learning. Whilst they have been in operation for less than one year we are proud to say the critical KPI of % English score at Standard 7 exams (approx. age 13) have improved in both schools slightly and we hope this to improve a lot more going forward.

Why is this exam critical?

- The answer to this question is fundamental to understanding the need for what we are trying to achieve in supporting English education in Government Primary schools.
- In Tanzania, children are required to start primary school at age seven where they are taught in **SWAHILI up to the age of 13**. At the end of primary school, students take the Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE) which is a national exam that determines which school a student can enter next.
- The results of the PSLE are used to ration limited space in the secondary schools and students who don't meet the required marks may be unable to progress to the next level.
- In Secondary school **ALL subjects are taught in ENGLISH**.
- Combined with the exams, less than 30 percent of students move on to secondary education, and the language barrier between primary and secondary education is a large part of the issue as many students leave due to lack of adequate English skills. From our own research the average score of Government Primary schools at S7 for English is approx. 35-40% with those taught in private 'English Medium' schools achieving over 90% and being able to move on and complete Secondary school.
- **Therefore achieving better results in English is critical to the success of students being able to get to and ultimately graduate secondary school with only 3% of children actually completing secondary school.**

Library Interiors

We are really proud to continue our partnership with [The Watoto Foundation](#), another local NGO to build all our shelves, desks and chairs. They support getting children off the street in some of Tanzania's larger cities providing them with an education, technical training, shelter and employment opportunities when they graduate.



We have continued to work with the team at Watoto to build all our Library interiors which has helped provide a large contribution to the running of their foundation. **Additionally we will be working with their metal work students and teachers to fabricate some shipping containers for our next phase of libraries.**

Community outreach and assistance

During 2024 we were involved in a number of initiatives to work with some local community centres to provide books and other educational materials that will help them be better prepared when they join the primary schools.

Relini Daycare Centre - In less than 10 years, around 700 children have passed through this day care centre through sponsorship from a French charity so they can enter Primary and Secondary school. They have a number of volunteers who provide time but it is always difficult to bring additional heavier educational matter into the country. We provided them with a few boxes of books and also some stationary to give to the 'graduating' kindergarden students in their year end ceremony.

Lugredo Daycare Centre is local day care centre run by a lady who looks after approx. 50 children whilst their parents are working.

Mosses Confort Home is a local social welfare organization set up by a local lady dedicated to offering essential support to orphans and street children who provides food, education, and clothing to those in need, aiming to create a better future for these vulnerable individuals.

Mikuuni Primary school – this is one of the 7 schools in the Meru district (out of approx. 150) with a unit to assisting teaching disabled individuals. We visited at the invite of the British founders of an amazing local charity **SAFI which stands for 'See Ability First International'**. They are recently set up in Usa River and they are focused on providing jobs and business opportunities for people with disabilities through crafts, design and innovation and all the products they sell are made only by people with disabilities. See their great work at https://www.instagram.com/safi.tanzania?igsh=MXI4YTNqOGIzeHcxeg%3D%3D&utm_source=qr



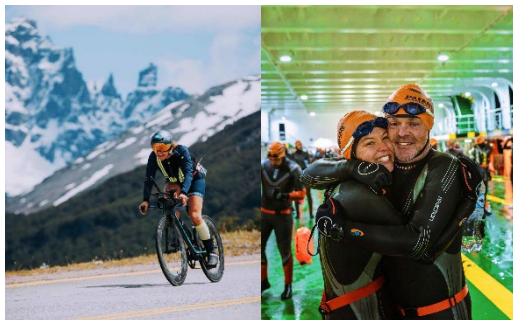
2025 vision and focus – 2 more libraries and 2 Container libraries

In 2025 our plan is already in progress with the building of 2 new libraries at Dolly Primary school and Kwaugoro Primary school. We will have more details later this year when we launch both although we are getting close to finalising them with the build of Dolly almost complete and furniture now being put into Kwaugoro.

In additional we have just received some funding from Zurich Commercial Insurance Middle East (CIME) in Dubai with whom we are working together to create the our first container library (Library #5). The idea behind this is to have a movable library kitted out we the same facilities as our fixed libraries but reduce costs of the library build and provide an added incentive for schools to use the facilities. Thanks to Zurich for being supportive of our new idea and helping us to fulfil our vision this year.

Shout Out

We would like to say a big thank you to Julion and Gerard Gallagher who in December endured the brutal conditions of Patagonia in Chile to do an extreme triathlon [@patagonmanxtri](#) to raise funds for Bouncing Books. For those of you who struggle to get up to run 5k to put it bluntly this is a phenomenal achievement – 3.8km Swim in icy cold water before dawn, 180km Bike up and down a windy, winding extreme route through the Chilean mountains!!! and then a marathon 42km Run!!! Gerard's inspiring message on the importance of Books is in his post on Linked in - [LinkedIn](#)



During 2025 they are upgrading and donating their 4x4 to get it African road ready, and filling it with books and other educational materials from the donations that they will bring via South Africa up to Tanzania in late 2025. The car will then be donated to Bouncing Books for us to use for our volunteers and staff to be able to move around between the libraries more easily as a mobile library and to commence operations in schools further away.

Social Media activity

We are still learning the ropes on Instagram and some videos on Youtube. Please do check in on these and help us spread the message!

Instagram: [@bouncingbooks](https://www.instagram.com/bouncingbooks) - this is our main avenue where we put updated pictures and videos of our work.

Website: www.bouncingbooks.org – we aim to update the content this year however this is the main avenue for donations.

Youtube: [Bouncing Books - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/BouncingBooks)



Annual report and Accounts

We are currently preparing the annual reports accounts for both our UK parent charity and Tanzania International NGO. They should be finalised and then independently reviewed (UK) and audited (Tanzania) following the respective charity country rules.

To ensure we are fully transparent with what we are doing once complete we are happy to provide these to anyone who wishes to see them so please email Luke to request luke@bouncingbooks.org. The UK charity information is also published online at the following link:

[Charity overview, BOUNCING BOOKS FOUNDATION - 1194053, Register of Charities - The Charity Commission](#)

Take care and thank you for continued support and encouragement.

Regards

Luke & Rachel

Appendix 2 - BOUNCING BOOKS – NEWSLETTER #5 – 15th December 2025

“A library is a rainbow of knowledge that can turn a child’s storm into light.”

Hello Bouncing Books Supporters,

Rachel and I hope this finds you well. It’s been a meaningful and busy period for Bouncing Books, filled with milestones, new beginnings and some truly inspiring community moments. We’re delighted to share our latest update—not only on libraries completed, but also on the new horizons we’re stepping into.

Thank you, as always especially in these challenging times around the world for many people and especially children, for your support.

2025 Progress & Highlights

1. Our First Formal Opening Ceremony – Dolly Primary School Library

On **9 June 2025**, we hosted our first official opening ceremony with 437 invited guests—including **55 adults (committees, parents & teachers), 350 students, 25 local-government representatives, 1 pastor**, plus Rachel, myself and Maryam’s family.

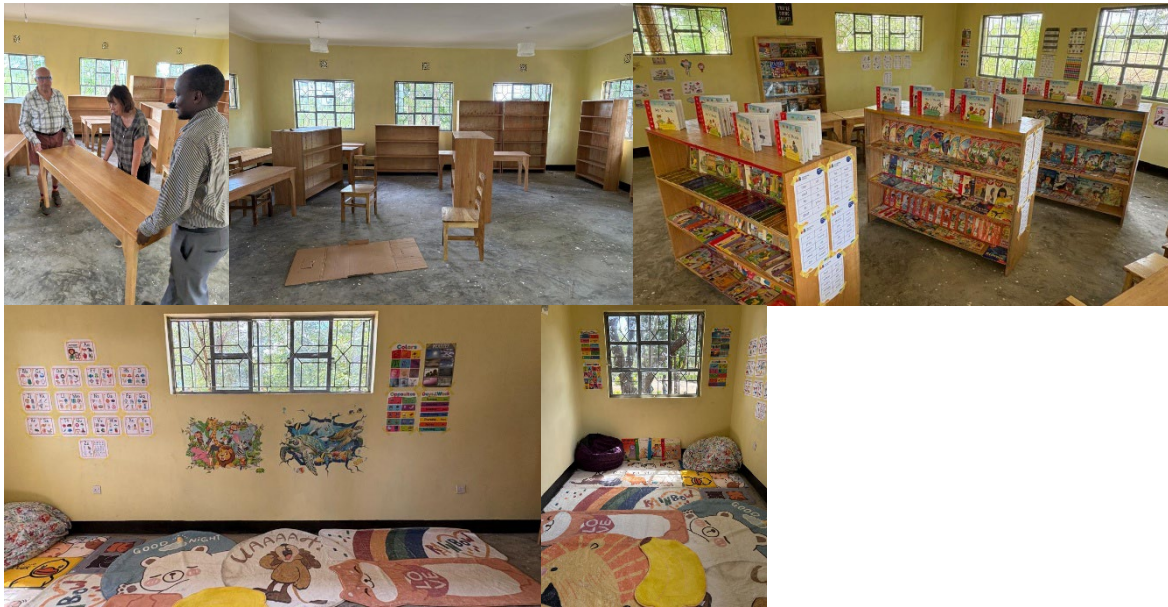
The library was generously sponsored by **Maryam Zaman**, an ex-colleague and close friend from Dubai, in memory of her father **Abbas Mohammadzaman**.

Maryam’s words moved everyone including the memorable quote:

“Education was always close to my Father’s values, and it is to mine as well. I firmly believe that one of the greatest gifts we can offer as human beings is access to knowledge. Education opens doors, builds futures, and transforms lives. This library is more than just shelves and books—it is a place of hope, of growth, and of dreams yet to be imagined.”

To honour local traditions, a **chicken and goat (prepared Halal)** were served — goat being a symbolic act of passing on gratitude to the givers from the community.





2. Kwauguro Primary School Library Completed

This renovated space has been sponsored by the **Rajvanshi family (Dubai)** and whilst open and being used by the children will soon formally open as the **“Jai & Maya Library”** when they can visit so we can celebrate together!

From this



To this



3. Our First Container Library – Ngongongare Primary School

Sponsored by **Zurich Commercial Insurance Middle East (CIME)**, this innovative library in a container is now almost complete. With views of **Mount Meru**, we've bought the container, Watoto Foundation have cut doors and windows and made the internal furniture, installed foundations at the school and transported the container and have now built the protective roof last week. The final step is to paint the outside and arrange to put in the books. Thanks to our sponsors for supporting us through from our initial idea to get almost to the end – it is really looking amazing we think and something different and inspiring for the children.





4. Teacher Accommodation – Dolly Primary

Securing and retaining teachers at remote schools is challenging without housing on site. Thanks to donations received from the local community at an event we held at our home and **Nasser Shehada**, an entrepreneur and investor in **Trusity (an AI-powered education platform in the UAE)**, we are now building teacher accommodation scheduled for completion *before the 2026 school year opens*. Trusity focuses on affordable, AI-enabled personalised learning – an alignment with our belief in equitable access to educational resources. We are looking forward to working with Nasser on a number of new projects in the future.

2026 Outlook – New Libraries

We've begun researching the requirements on two new projects to be completed **in the first half of 2026**:

- 1) **Migandini Primary School** – where we have met a really inspiring headteacher who has been spent his spare time painting his own work, pictures and murals on the walls of classrooms to help teach the children.
- 2) **Valeska Primary School** – almost 800 children at this school with 9 teachers and one class of 160 children! This is one of our remotest schools yet which we visited the first time this month when Luke and Chris, a friend of ours, took a bike trip 15 km further down the dirt track from where live to meet the headteacher there!

For both these schools which will be renovations of older unused classroom space **we are looking for a sponsor to be able to commence renovation of the interiors and making the furniture.**

Book Management & Collaboration

Partnership with The Foundation for Tomorrow - They are kindly **storing over 6,000 excess books** (as they have a large library area and saving spare in our house!) and we are looking into how they can support us through **teacher training and educational methodology**. Their mission of empowering students through holistic education aligns strongly with ours. Similar to the previous local charities we have highlighted on our newsletter their story is inspiring <https://thefoundationfortomorrow.org/>. Established back in 2006 they have since trained 4500 teachers in government schools impacting 270,000 students throughout Tanzania.

Expanding Our Reach

We have begun active discussions with **lodges and safari operators** supporting remote rural schools. Our goal is to provide libraries and educational materials in some of the *hardest-to-reach communities in Tanzania* – a key growth focus for **2026 and beyond**.

Shout Outs – Our Informal Heroes!

None of this happens alone. Some special thanks to:

- **Our parents (mainly mums 😊 but dads too!)** – days spent sorting phonics books into appropriate levels to give to schools
- **Bryan & Lianny Stevens and Teck** – helped move furniture and set up Dolly library
- **Darden (USA River)** – facilitated Ngongongare introductions and coordinated container placement (we watched the videos heart-in-mouth getting it in place!)

Funding Updates and Request for Support

As you can see above we have been lucky to receive some large donations from some corporates and families. Either dedicated in memory of loved ones or in honour of children, so they can be part of the journey themselves, there are many ways to help contribute and we can work with you to work out what may be the best way for you to contribute.

In order to continue in a sustainable without overstretching **we only progress with a new library when we have sufficient funds** and we usually will do this due to one generous donor per library. We currently have a long waiting list of schools looking to us to assist them in constructing a library so if you are interested please do let us know. To give you an idea of approximate costs now we have experience in the process!:

- *New build standalone library* – USD 15,000
- *Container library* – USD 10,000
- *Renovation of existing room into new library* – USD 6,000

Additionally if you are able to **spread the word about Bouncing Books and help us fundraise**, we would be very grateful. Any help you can provide to encourage your friends and families to contribute a small amount each month would help us immensely. Whilst we are receiving generous project-based donations, **regular monthly contributions are still limited**, making long-term planning difficult. Even modest monthly support helps us keep momentum strong and sustainable.

Please see the following link to [Donate and Support Us - The Bouncing Books Foundation](#) or you can send **direct via bank transfer to us at Bouncing Books Foundation in Barclays Bank UK**, Sort code 20-55-41, Account 23317390. We are also able to claim an additional 25% on any donation by a UK taxpayer via Gift Aid – we have just successfully claimed an additional GBP 4,500 this year 😊

Thank You

From an initial idea to formally opened libraries serving thousands of children, this journey is only possible because of people like you. Whether through donations, time, connections, sponsorships, being part of our community or simply sending encouraging messages—you are part of building futures.

“A library is a rainbow of knowledge that can turn a child’s storm into light.”

APPENDIX 3 – Independent examiners report for year ended 31 December 2023



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Bouncing Books Foundation		
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2023	Charity no (if any)	1194053
Set out on pages	3 – 4.		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 12 / 2023.

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 in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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- 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.

Signed:  Date: 13 / 3 / 24

Name: FREDERICK PETER SHERIDAN JOHNSON

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None



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Bouncing Books Foundation

1194053

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01-Jan-23

To

31-Dec-23

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					
Cash donations received direct into Barclays account	262	24,886	-	25,148	6,165
Cash donations received via Stripe into Barclays account	8,545	-	-	8,545	7,574
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	8,807	24,886	-	33,692	13,739
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
NIL	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	8,807	24,886	-	33,692	13,739
A3 Payments					
Funding transferred to Bouncing Books Tanzania account	-	16,000	-	16,000	-
Expenses reimbursed that have been paid directly in Tanzania	4,052	6,331	-	10,383	-
Bank charges	42	-	-	42	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,094	22,331	-	26,425	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
NIL	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	4,094	22,331	-	26,425	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,713	2,555	-	7,267	13,739
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	19,739	13,500	-	33,239	19,500
Cash funds this year end	24,452	16,055	-	40,506	33,239

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	Barclays Bank GBP account - IBAN - GB5980UK520504123317390	24,452	16,055	-
				-
				-
				-
	Total cash funds	24,452	16,055	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

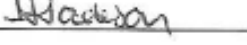
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	NIL	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	NIL		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	NIL		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	NIL		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Luke Ellyard	10th February 2024
	Jennifer Jackson	10th February 2024

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A1 Receipts					
Cash donations received direct into Barclays account	9,524	15,052	-	24,576	15,684
Cash donations received via Stripe into Barclays account	10,416	-	-	10,416	8,459
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	19,941	15,052	-	34,993	24,143
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
NIL	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	19,941	15,052	-	34,993	24,143
A3 Payments					
Funding transferred to Bouncing Books Tanzania account.	12,261	17,739	-	30,000	15,000
Expenses reimbursed that have been paid directly in Tanzania.	-	-	-	-	6,431
Bank charges	63	-	-	63	42
Other	-	-	-	-	907
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	12,324	17,739	-	30,063	22,381
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
NIL	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	12,324	17,739	-	30,063	22,381
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,616	- 2,687	-	4,930	1,762
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	26,082	16,187	-	42,269	40,507
Cash funds this year end	33,699	13,500	-	47,199	42,269

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
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Bouncing Books Foundation

On accounts for the year
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31 December 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1194053

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M. J. Crawford

Date:

22/3/2026

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