

STOP PRESS!

The difficulties of communication with Kindwitwi Village sometimes means that their news is too late to print in the main Newsletter, so here is an update from Salum.

Leprosy News

There were six new cases detected this quarter, four of which were multibacillary leprosy (both adults) and the other two were paucibacillary, one being a child of eight years.

Three will be 'lucky' in that once cured, there will be no after-effects, two will be left with numb patches, but a third has a wound on the sole of his foot, the after-effects of which will be very difficult to cure completely .

That we are still finding such sad cases makes the

Leprosy Control Training that is described on page 4 of the main Newsletter very worthwhile.

I can add to that report the information that the participants were all new employees working as clinical officers, either for the government or in the private sector.

You will be interested to hear that besides Dr Rogers Nnally, the other facilitator was Mrs Doto Mbega ... carrying on the good work of her late husband. Here is a photo of her at that workshop.



Mrs Doto Mbega: Leprosy Training

Official opening of the new kindergarten class



The Guest of Honour, Mr Omari Mrangi, opening the classroom. Mr Martin Hall, CEO of the International School is on Mr Mrangi's far right.

29 September 2015

This classroom was built to separate the children into different age groups, so that the groups do not disturb each other. Children from 1-3 years will be in one class and those from 4 to 7 will be in the other. So far, we have 30 older children and 32 smaller one, two teachers and one cook.

As you will have read in the main Newsletter, we are indebted, not only to IST, but also to Parmiter's and Better Lives, for helping us to a higher standard of hygiene by building a latrine and installing an extra water pump. In addition, Mr Mrangi promised some new teaching materials.

Bashiluni Juma gets help

Bashiluni was born with cerebral palsy and his mother, Asha, (you will remember that she is responsible for the water point at the centre of the Village) had no idea where to get help. But Nihuka of the Polack Clinic with advice from Utete hospital advised her to visit CCBRT* in Dar es Salaam. There, she was given really useful advice and a lot of practical help, including this special chair. Bashiluni will continue to have monthly appointments to monitor his progress. We are very fortunate to have this wonderful hospital to help us.



*CCBRT is a fantastic hospital, famous throughout Africa for its up-to-the minute facilities and practices, see http://www.ccbrt.or.tz/home/