


SEECHILD's 1st Term's Report January – May 2018.

1.		<p>Current appearance of the centre. A lot of flowers with a well cut lawn.</p>
2.		<p>We are soon harvesting egg plants maize and cabbages.</p>
3.		<p>The appearance of the classes.</p>

4.		<p>The shrubs to cover the chain link are steadily growing.</p>
5.		<p>The flower garden has also made the centre look attractive. Behind are the maize plants.</p>
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7.		<p>Florence Lwanga teaching older children with mental disabilities how to make mats.</p>
8.		<p>Young children both of them are autistic playing on a sea saw.</p>
9.		<p>Women from the community visited the centre and donated food stuffs and hygiene items.</p>
10.		<p>Group photo staff, visitors and the children.</p>

11.		<p>Women from the community listening to the speech of the coordinator.</p>
12.		<p>Lawrence playing with the youngest child at the centre Jacob.</p>
13.		<p>Steven Omondong giving massage exercises to Janat.</p>

<p>14.</p>		<p>Children with disabilities swinging at the center.</p>
<p>15.</p>		<p>Steven teaching sign language at SEECHILD centre.</p>
<p>16.</p>		<p>Alfred in literacy class.</p>

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Visit of Guus from Mirembe Foundation. Guus with some staff members on 30th January 2018.

Introduction:

We are greatly grateful to God for his blessings, which have enabled us go through this term. And you our partners, your financial and moral support has been very essential and enabled us to facilitate the biggest part of our activities.

Activities done:

The first term involved stocking basic items needed at the centre to start the training activities. We have to admit that only the bare minimum have been stocked to enable us start the activities. Among them are building the pit latrine, erecting a chain link for security of the premises and children. These were done at the beginning of the term before the launch.

The launch was done on 25th January 2018 and over twenty children were registered for the training. However, only a few turned up for real training because they expected free services. At the end of the term, we had 15 children. Only 3 children managed to clear their fees for the first term. Six paid half of the fees and the rest hardly paid any penny.

We held a parents meeting, where most of the parents appreciated the training because of its impact on their children's health and behaviour. During the meeting, parents raised the following problems they face:

1. Fees payments is a problem because they have many children who are a priority. So they were asking for sponsorship.
2. Transportation of these children to and fro the centre is a problem because many of these children can't make it on their own.
3. Single parents mostly ladies said that they can hardly raise money for daily food and at the same time raise money for medical expenditure for these children.

We have recruited a good staff with trainers who are experienced and support staff to give quality service.

For real training to start we had to stock tables and chairs for the children, a black board and playing facilities for the children.

During the term we drafted a training curriculum for the centre and it now undergoing scrutiny and various consultations from educationists. The draft is attached.

Achievements:

1. Bunamwaya Integrated Skills training centre (BISTC) has been started and it is now operating.
2. The community is very much supportive.
3. Most of the parents have realised the impact of the training in the shortest period of the training.
4. The staff is very enthusiastic and has exhibited team work.

Challenges faced:

1. There has been lack of adequate funds to run the centre.
2. Parents are reluctant to pay fees they want the program to be entirely free of charge.
3. Cost of living is increasing now and then in Uganda.
4. We have no tools for vocational skills training.
5. Facial uplift for the centre is badly needed. The centre needs to be plastered, painted and decorated to advertise our programs.

Lessons Learnt:

1. We need to increase awareness training for the parents to appreciate the need of skills training for their children.
2. Means of transport for the day program is a basic need for this centre.
3. We need to erect an attractive sign post for the centre showing what is going on in the centre.