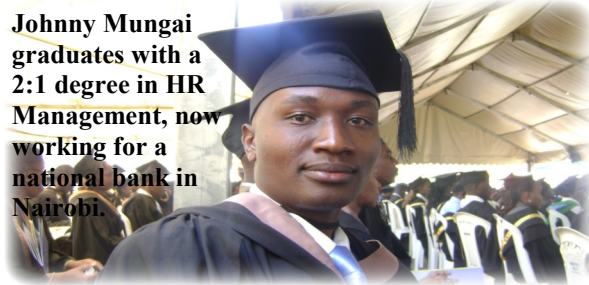


## With what results?

- 90% of LLSF scholars at secondary schools are in the top 25% of pupils in their year. In view of their backgrounds, this is a great achievement.
- We have had two head boys, two head girls and numerous school prefects, giving recognition to their talent and abilities.
- The Langalanga Scholars Association (LLSA) was formed in 2005 and provides practical self-help support and advice to all scholars, particularly at the start of further education. It is a stunningly successful support network.
- In 2011, of our 20 school leavers, 12 qualified for competitive vacancies at Universities (60%). The national average is about 2%!
- We already have a primary school teacher, a secondary teaching graduate, four nurses, three engineers, a pharmacist, a graphic designer, a graduate HR manager and seven accountants.

**Johnny Mungai** graduates with a 2:1 degree in HR Management, now working for a national bank in Nairobi.



## Why we need your help

- LLSF started in March 1999 with 1 scholar. Since then we have awarded 220 scholarships made possible by like-minded people who also believe the 'gift of education' is so worthwhile.
- 22 new scholarships were awarded in January 2011 to 15 boys and 7 girls.
- We urgently need both secondary sponsors and, especially, tertiary donors who are willing to enable our most successful secondary school scholars to attend career courses of their choice through university or college. Qualifications gained will help them to find suitable employment in Kenya's harsh economic environment.

Please help us to make our scholars' dreams come true.

## PATRON

**The Earl of Carnarvon**

## VJCE-PATRONS

**The Rt Hon Lord Luce KG PC**  
**The Rt Hon Lord Howell of Guildford PC**  
**The Rt Hon Sir George Young Bt PC MP**  
**Sir John Collins**

## THE TRUSTEES

**Harry Vialou Clark** BSc(Eng) CEng MInstRE  
Founder & Chairman. A retired Royal Engineer officer from an old Kenya family. Swahili speaker.

**Christopher Anderson** MA (Dublin)  
Worked in stockbroking & fund management, specialising in advising clients & small charities.

**David Ashwanden** Treasurer.  
From a family with Kenya connections back to the 1890s.

**Peter Ellse** BSc MBA MIOD  
Former owner and current managing director of UK school supplier.

**Richard Murdoch** BSc(Eng) CEng MICE  
Assistant Treasurer. Experienced consulting engineer with worldwide experience.

**Red Neale** BSc, C Dip AF  
Retired oil company technologist with accounting experience.

**Brig Geoffrey Nield OBE** BSc(Eng) MInstRE  
Royal Engineer with strong Kenya connections. Swahili speaker.

**Anne Smyth** BA(Hons)  
Retired primary school headteacher.

**Langalanga** is a shanty village that has grown up on the edge of the old colonial motor racing circuit outside Gilgil. The name means 'round & round' in Maasai!



# LANGALANGA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Registered Charity No. 1076360

*Educating the bright and needy in Kenya*



New scholars arrive at Jomo Kenyatta High School

## LLSF aims :

- to provide **hope** for bright and ambitious children.
- to **maximise** potential.
- to **encourage** headteachers and teachers.
- to make secondary and further education **possible**.
- to **increase** the chances of finding a good job.
- to **benefit** the scholar, the family, the community and the nation.

*"No man makes a greater mistake than he who does nothing because he could only do a little." Edmund Burke c. 1796*

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## What LLSF is all about

LLSF prides itself on developing strong personal relationships between scholars, sponsors, teachers and headteachers, and the trustees.

Underpinned by minimal overheads and driven by a zeal for making an impact, we strongly believe that poverty can best be alleviated by education. The trustees are all volunteers and all monies raised go directly to benefit scholars' education. Monies remain in the direct control of trustees until spent. We do not aspire to be a large charity but one that makes a lasting and significant impact on the lives it touches.

Thus, we award scholarships, on merit, to bright children from very impoverished backgrounds in the Rift Valley and Central Provinces of Kenya, around the town of Gilgil.



### Future potential?

Scholars are expected to work hard, show their potential and are then assured of some of the best education available in Kenya today.

Through the generosity of sponsors and donors, LLSF pays for secondary and, when merited, further or higher education. Without this help our scholars would, on leaving primary school, continue to live a life of poverty. Such a waste and loss to both community and nation!

LLSF scholars are chosen from twenty, rural, government primary schools. Many schools are of mud construction, none has adequate facilities and all are understaffed.

LLSF aims to assist a few acorns to grow into oak trees but acorns have to be given a chance to do so!

## How it works

- Sponsorship is sought from individuals around the world who are willing to fund, and keep in touch with, bright and needy young Kenyans.
- Potential scholars from the twenty selected schools apply in January each year when national primary exam results are known.
- Our local knowledge, headteachers' reports and careful interviewing ensure that only the brightest and most needy children are selected.
- Award Ceremonies are held at the primary schools when each scholar receives the gift of a Bible, a dictionary and their scholarship letter.
- Selected scholars go to good Provincial secondary boarding schools in Kenya.
- Scholars who qualify on merit for further support through college and university courses are helped to do. Tertiary costs are variable but significant, averaging £1,800 per year. It is wonderful when a sponsor is able to help with these costs and very many do. However, not all are able to meet the full cost so all donations help to make up this shortfall.
- 100% of all money donated goes directly to scholars supported by LLSF. Administrative costs, which amount to some 5% of total income, are covered by interest payments received.



New scholars wait, a little apprehensively, for eye tests

□ **Secondary** - Scholarships currently cost £500 per year for five years. That includes tuition, boarding costs, uniform, books, eye tests, and essential items such as a mattress, trunk, bucket, extra tuition in the holidays and pocket money. It also covers costs during the gap year. If there is a surplus after secondary education, this is added to the general tertiary fund. Scholars write to their sponsors three times a year and the sponsors reply.

□ **Gap Year** - Scholars are given 90 hours of computer training and are assigned to one of our primary schools as assistant teachers, earning their very first salary and giving something back to their communities.

□ **Tertiary** - Tertiary scholarships are only available to existing scholars and include university and college fees, subsistence, and essential items such as books. Cost varies hugely but averages around £2,000 per year. It is hoped that sponsors will be willing to assist with tertiary fees although there is no obligation at this stage.



Enjoying Founder's Day

□ Every year a Founder's Day Reunion is held chaired by the senior scholar who is now working for an new offshoot company of Kenya Power and Light. Career advice to secondary school leavers is given at this very popular 'working lunch'.

**STOP PRESS:** Wyckliffe Muhiri has become the first Langananga scholar to gain a straight A grade in the Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education. He was carried shoulder-high into his village.

**WONDERFUL NEWS!!**

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