

TLC April and May 2018 in Tabora, Tanzania

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Tabora League for Children: Working with orphans and vulnerable children and their families in 3 TLC Centres: Isevya, Ng'ambo and Chem Chem all within the Tabora Municipality.

If you would like to help please make a donation to: "Tabora League for Children" Barclays Bank, Sort code: 209748 A/C No: 63693430 or by Paypal on our website www.tlctanzania.org

Many thanks to all who keep TLC working in Tabora

25th May is DATA PROTECTION DAY IN UK. By then we need to know if you want to stay on our newsletter list. If you do, please press "Reply" and type in "YES" We keep your name and email address safely, and don't share your information with anyone. All sponsors are on the newsletter list. If you don't press reply and say "Yes" then we will not be able to contact you again so please press reply, type in YES and send the email back to us before Friday 25th May. We need your support.

Party Time. On 4th April the children from Ng'ambo and Chem Chem Centres boarded buses and drove the 4 miles or so across town to Isevya, the biggest Centre, for a Get Together. Photo right: the children of Chem Chem being shepherded into their



bus. Fun, games and lots of dancing ensured that all had a good time. The lunch is being cooked at Isevya on charcoal

stoves. The food is very different from the usual lunches of rice or maize and beans, fish or meat. Today it is noodles, fried potatoes, chicken and cucumber with banana for desert and that very special treat, a bottle of pop.



Over a hundred children, and the staff, were there - a lot of dinners to cook on two fires, but the bigger girls, and all three cooks helped and lunch happened.





These two girls, left, on holiday from boarding school, are delighted to have a party. They have no family members able to care for them. They stay with staff members during their holidays. A young lad going through great difficulties at home will join them at their school after the June mid year break, and a fourth child will join in January after her National Exams later this year. Their school is very good with children who have had a difficult start to their lives.

Miranda and then Marg have **been to Tabora this year**, and Siobhan, Dave and Penny are there currently. Marg assisted with financial and management systems, Siobhan is working with staff on our safeguarding policy, and Penny and Dave are getting ready to build a second classroom at Isevya. Trustees pay their own fares and expenses. Dolls have been travelling out with visitors and been very well received by the children. Some dollies and clothes have been crafted by supporters and a few bigger dolls have been purchased by donors. Games of Connect 4, Draughts and Snakes and Ladders have gone out also. 2 Laptops were warmly welcomed. Thanks to all for the gifts. Both Miranda, and last week, Siobhan, visited Hadija in Ethiopia. See progress on <u>Facebook</u>





Below, girls playing with their dolls, all pretending to be asleep.







The plentiful **rain** has caused a lot of damage to buildings in Tabora, even killing residents as buildings collapsed. It also had the visitors wading in bare feet or gumboots. But they have given a good crop, and the borders at the centres are looking good. Chem Chem's cannas are fantastic, congratulations on the gardening skills.



Extra sponsors needed: two children are in grave difficulties, and the six year old girl has been taken to a TLC foster mother this week, the eight year old boy will start at a Tabora boarding school after the June mid year holiday, with watchful care from Chem Chem staff working beyond their usual hours to keep him safe and off the streets until the term starts. Both have sponsors but their costs will at least double with the new arrangements and so both need extra sponsorship. The little girl's sponsor has already offered to increase her donation, so the extra amount needed £18. Could you be the one that provides the extra help to keep these two delightful youngsters safe. See facebook for pictures. Please email tlctanzania@gmail.com

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