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On Saturday 29th June (hottest day of the year so far) Books & Ink held their second **"Pay What You Want"** book sale of the summer. They raised another **£174**, taking their total this year to an amazing **£400**. All the proceeds will go towards building some toilets at a small rural school (100+ children) who currently have NO toilet facilities at the school. The block will include a handwash station, fed from a basic rainwater harvesting system from the roof, so that we can improve both personal hygiene and sanitation. Thanks to Karl, Sam & Sandra for their great support.

Oxford United donate more kit for Sierra Leone



My sincere thanks to Peter Rhoades-Brown (Business Development Manager) and all at Oxford United for another donation of assorted kit for teams in Freetown

Westminster Group PLC continue support

Four boxes of Oxford United kit are being air freighted courtesy of Westminster Group PLC. They are sending a pallet out to Westminster Aviation Security Services, who run the airport contract at Lungi International Airport, and have donated the spare space to me. MANY thanks for your continued support

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Micro credit scheme

In mid May, Hawa & Mary received £50 each to enable them to set up a small business to help provide for their families. Alternative schemes charge interest on the loan, but my priority is to give both these ladies a **"Hand up"** & **"Make A Real Difference"** for them. The plan is that for 10 months they will repay £5 each and then the money will be re-invested either to them, so they can grow the business, or to another new person. I am pleased to report that they have both just paid back their first instalment & they are both making money from the venture— good result all round.



As a follow up I have just set up a third lady, Tewah, on the scheme. She already runs a small "corner shop" from a small room off the veranda of her house and my £35 will enable her to boost her stock holding



A micro scheme making a BIG difference

Sierra Leone's currency is Leones (Le) so I've called my micro credit scheme **AlansAfrica Sierra LeOANS**
What do you think??

From the last Newsletter – updates:

Rose, Great North Swim & Waterloo School

Remember Rose, an 8 year old from Willesley School who had swum 250 metres in Lake Windermere raising **£200.76** for her “link school”. We purchased 22 chairs for the Junior School library and the picture below tells its own story –



The staff printed the pictures that Rose’s parents had sent me, so that the Liverpool children understood how Rose had raised the money and the children were really pleased with her donation.

Kunduma Community School desks courtesy of Bladon School “Smartie” appeal.



Thanks to the “Smartie” children at Bladon Primary School, who raised **£172**, the children at Kunduma School now have **19** new desk and bench sets which gives them enough furniture in two of their classrooms



Kunduma is a very poor community. The work that we have done there to improve their buildings & facilities will make a **REAL** difference to the school. I hope to raise further funds so that we can provide some toilet facilities as currently they don’t have **ANY** toilets.

Calvary project is **WELL** under way

I had sent funds so that they could make concrete blocks to build a tower which will house the water tank & supply water to various points around the church/school compound - I am really pleased to report that the tower has recently been completed.



It may not seem a very exciting photograph to us, but for the Calvary Community this is a major step forward to providing the entire School & Church community with a clean water supply.

UK Oxford United supporters fundraising for Mahera Wharf Oxford United, Sierra Leone

The **£500** target has been reached, currently at **£532**

A BIG thank you to Mary for setting this up and to everyone who has contributed. Some of the money has been spent on football boots for some of the boys. We are currently waiting to allocate the remaining funds when the transfer from Just Giving is complete.



Fund raising & spending update

During the Rotary year July 2018 to June 2019 Alans Africa raised **£29,500** & sent **£34,200** for school and community projects in Sierra Leone.

This is due to the fantastic support I receive from a vast network of supporters who know that **EVERY ££** raised “**Makes A Real Difference**”.

MANY sincere thanks to **ALL** those who have supported me enabling the projects to continue to

“change lives & make dreams a reality”