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Port Loko School - One of the 4 new classrooms complete with all the furniture

I have been invited to “officially” open the new 4 classrooms at Kankalay School during my forthcoming trip.



Liverpool School water harvesting

We have just installed a system onto the 2 classrooms that were built last year, this was delayed due to the major project at Port Loko School, but they now have basic water harvesting systems on all of their classrooms

I am flying to Sierra Leone for an 8-day trip on November 15th.

My flights are booked and I am returning to Freetown, after a break of three and a half years, due to Covid, for my **13th** trip. I would like to express my sincere thanks to Peter Fowler, CEO of Westminster Group PLC, for sponsoring 50% of my flight costs & to Diane at Westminster for all her help in booking my trip.

Although I am REALLY excited to be going back, I have mixed emotions, as this will be my first trip without Fayia my “main man on the ground” who sadly passed away in June. Both Solomon, Headteacher at Liverpool School and Pastor Mark from Calvary School are making arrangements to enable my trip to go ahead smoothly

I plan to visit 6 of the schools that I support to catch up with them all and will also be spending time with Momoh, at his new home, and visiting Fayia’s widow and her children. I will also spend some time visiting the Mahera Wharf Oxford United Football Club Hostel, (where 7 of the orphaned boys live) and catching up with Abu, the coach, and all the boys, and looking at a prospective new project to help the Club develop.

Banbury International Community School

The installation of the solar panelled electricity has been completed and is a major step forward for the School. I am going to spend a considerable amount of time at the School, to agree a development plan to increase the number of classrooms at the School. Currently they are operating a “two shift” system, with the younger children attending in the mornings and the older children in the afternoon. This is due to the increased number of children attending the school and I want to try and resolve this issue, so that the older children, at least, get more learning time. I have already agreed to build an additional 2 classrooms, in Fayia’s memory, but I am going to explore the possibility of providing even more classrooms IF the school think they are needed.

I am in the process of setting up a **Just Giving** page to help fundraise for the project at the School, and am hoping that the “**Banbury**” connection will appeal to local people after some recent good publicity.

Further details, including the **“link”** will be available shortly, but you can always contact me as above.