



Dear Friends of St. Anthony's Nursery School, Malawi: December 2022

Muli bwanji? (**How are you?**) I really hope this finds you well and 2022 has been kind for you and your loved ones.

I am pleased to say it's been a good year in Malawi at the nursery school. After an initial scare with another cyclone passing through Malawi in January, everything has gone smoothly, we even saw our first nursery school wedding! The deputy head teacher Ghreycioum married his partner Mary – a proud moment for me as I taught Ghreycioum at Primary School and my Dad helped pay for Ghreycioum to get through secondary school and college. I am also happy to say Covid levels are low and this hasn't been an issue for the school, which is a big relief after a rocky couple of years.

The blue drums that were due to arrive last Christmas finally safely made it to the school in January. We then held a collection at my son's primary school in Norton, Suffolk and I was able to fill another 4 drums packed with clothes, toys, books etc - they arrived in the Autumn. In total 8 blue drums of supplies have made it to the staff and children of the school this year and I know they are always so happy to receive the gifts and clothes.

The staff have been busy making repairs to the school building, the gardens and also had a new school sign made for the roadside. They are about to start repairing the outside cooking area so I look forward to seeing how they get on. We purchased 70 bright coloured little chairs for the classrooms earlier in the year so all the children have a seat. Mosquito nets and daily porridge are now firmly embedded as staple items for the children at the school, something which goes up in cost every year, but is genuinely essential for the children. I have also just arranged for all the staff to receive bonuses to allow them to purchase fertilizer for their maize harvests, again, something I do at this point every year to give their crops the best possible chance.

I have a lot of photos to share this year (thanks to the staff) so I am going to keep my words brief, I think the photos say it all. No matter what is thrown at us we find a way to resolve, fix, or move forward and St. Anthony's Nursery School is thriving. I really couldn't keep up the good work without your support and kindness, thank you so much. It makes me very happy to look at the photos of the last year and see the nursery school going from strength to strength.



I wish you all a very lovely Christmas and a Happy New Year. Take care, with my thanks & best wishes, Gina x

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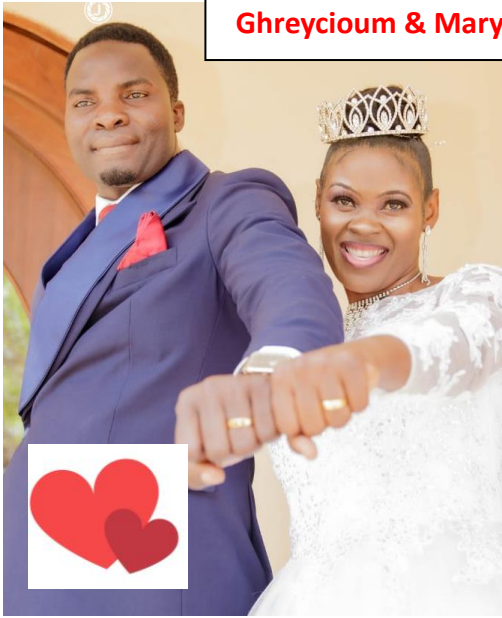


The children of 2022





The new school sign



Ghreycioum & Mary



The second batch of drums arriving



Graduation 2022



The outside cooking area, before its upcoming makeover



New chairs



The nursery & gardens 2022

