



TVS is an independent charity working in a small corner of South Africa to enhance educational opportunities and increase the life chances of children in rural schools.

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## **TVS**

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## Message from the Chairperson



This year sees the tenth anniversary of the foundation of TVS in 2004. In that year South Africa had been free from the apartheid system for just ten years. Nevertheless there were still huge social inequalities and these were reflected in the physical state of rural schools and the poor educational achievements of rural children.

In the last ten years TVS has continued to address these inequalities through its support to schools in the Tyume Valley. In villages where we work secondary school leaving results improved by 20%, against an average 0.8% in the whole of the district. We believe we have made a contribution towards this progress.

During 2013/14 our English project was successfully expanded to eight schools, involving 50 students and providing additional training for the six teachers involved. In October 2013 we ran another successful study camp for 100 children aged 10-15, at Hobbiton Outdoor Education Centre. The focus this year was on reading and speaking English, through the use of 'Story Sacks', donated

by one of our UK partner schools. We have also run day camps at Hobbiton for youngsters taking our regular lessons at their schools and provided regular music lessons at one primary school.

Our IT programme has similarly grown over the past year as we have gradually replaced and refurbished our outdated desktops. Seven schools now have updated labs used by ten schools. Three further schools have TVS labs and provide their own teaching. In February 2014 we ran our first pre-college course, and we now also have a dozen adult students attending a new course in Hogsback.

2013 – 2014 has been my last year as the chair of TVS. It has been a privilege to work with the many volunteers and supporters who have contributed over the last ten years and I hope to continue to do so in another role for more years to come.

Educational opportunities for rural children are still limited and there is still a huge backlog of educational neglect to be overcome before the next generation of South Africans is equipped and ready to take over the reins of the new South Africa. It is clear that the work of TVS is still needed.

**Margaret Kiloh, June 2014**

## Two Success Stories



Bongiwe went to school at Dyamala Primary School and now has two children of her own. In 2011 she did a computer course with TVS and received a certificate. In August 2013 she began training as an IT facilitator with TVS's lead trainer, Vuvu Tomi. In January 2014 Bongiwe began working for TVS as an independent IT trainer, working 1 day per week at Ncera Zantsi Primary.



Like Bongiwe, Nontombi grew up in Dyamala village, where she still lives. There are no employment opportunities in the village and she was unable to afford the fees for further education and training. She took a computer course with TVS and now works providing computer training for children at Enkwenkwezini Secondary School and Dyamala Primary – her own old school.



# Tyume Valley Schools works with...

24 primary schools



5 secondary schools



In the Eastern Cape



## In 2013-14 we helped do all this...

Ran four workshops for English language teachers



Updated 10 school computer labs



Provided tutoring in basic computer skills to 120 children and 20 school leavers



Ran an activity day for 50 children at the Hobbiton Outdoor Centre



Organised music tuition for 100 children



Trained two new IT facilitators



Ran a study camp for 100 children at the Hobbiton Outdoor Centre



Ran an English language programme covering 50 children



## Next year we want to do even more.

## Thank you for your continued support.

## 2013 – 2014 Summary Accounts

|                                  | Unrestricted<br>Funds (£) | Restricted<br>Funds (£) | Total Funds<br>(£) | Previous year<br>funds (£) |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Incoming Resources</b>        |                           |                         |                    |                            |
| Donations                        | £ 69,372                  |                         | £ 69,372           | £ 58,479                   |
| HMRC Gift Aid                    | £ 1,786                   |                         | £ 1,786            | £ 1,034                    |
| <b>Total Incoming resources</b>  | <b>£ 71,158</b>           | <b>£ -</b>              | <b>£ 71,158</b>    | <b>£ 59,513</b>            |
| <b>Resource Expenditure</b>      |                           |                         |                    |                            |
| Wages and Employment             | £ 11,000                  |                         | £ 11,000           | £ 2,400                    |
| Travel and Expenses*             | £ 9,485                   |                         | £ 9,485            | £ 5,570                    |
| Transfer to South Africa account | £ 40,000                  |                         | £ 40,000           | £ 44,689                   |
| Marketing*                       |                           |                         | £ -                | £ 135                      |
| Equipment                        |                           |                         | £ -                | £ 1,588                    |
| <b>Total Resources Expended</b>  | <b>£ 60,485</b>           | <b>£ -</b>              | <b>£ 60,485</b>    | <b>£ 54,382</b>            |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>     | <b>£ 10,673</b>           | <b>£ -</b>              | <b>£ 10,673</b>    | <b>£ 5,131</b>             |
| <b>Cash funds last year end</b>  | <b>£ 24,123</b>           |                         | <b>£ 24,123</b>    | <b>£ 18,992</b>            |
| <b>Cash funds this year end</b>  | <b>£ 34,796</b>           | <b>£ -</b>              | <b>£ 34,796</b>    | <b>£ 24,123</b>            |

### Notes

\*includes £7609.75 of expenses reimbursed to trustees which were subsequently returned and included under donations above.

### Trustees Statement

These summarised accounts produced by Toby Roberts have been extracted from the full annual financial statements that were approved by Tyume Valley Schools trustees. The full annual financial statements have been reviewed by a qualified accountant. The full annual report and financial statements have been submitted to the Charity Commission.

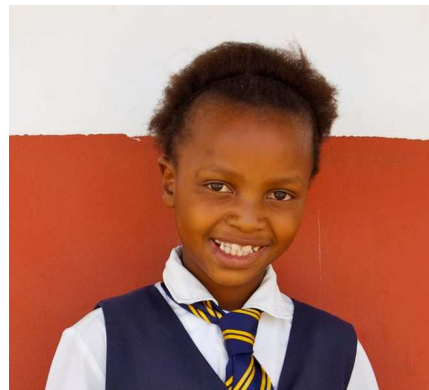
## Heading for Success



Lisakhanya likes to play soccer and rugby and he says that he is very good! Chuma, Olwethu and Likhanyile also like to play with their friends after school. But for the last three years all four children have given up two afternoons a week to study English at the TVS after-school classes

The children come from different villages and only meet at the English classes but their lives are very similar. 'Their fathers are usually absent for long periods, working in Cape Town, Port Elizabeth or Guateng. Their mothers and/or grandmothers play the most important parts in their lives. They are not starving but they are deprived.

They recognise the importance of English and education in general. Olwethu wants to be a nurse and Lisakhanya (one of 12 siblings) wants to be a doctor when he grows up. Chuma and Likhanyile are only ten and the choice of career seems far away to them but they enjoy school and love to learn.



## Fundraising

This was a successful year for fundraising, with over £71,000 raised during 2013/14.

The Big Give, a charitable initiative of the Reed Foundation, each year enables small donors to compete for funds which are then matched by the Reed Foundation and, in our case Make My Day Better, the Charitable arm of Dial a Flight. We raised over £27,000 through the Big Give Christmas Challenge in December 2013.

Our most generous supporters were small family or business trusts which assisted with our English, IT and infrastructure costs. Our thanks go to the following, all of which made substantial contributions, amounting to a total of £24,700.

The Ferguson Trust,

The Lord and Lady Lurgan Trust

The SEM Foundation

Make My Day Better

Newcastle City Council

Regular contributors raise approximately £7,000 for us each year and small, one-off donations, brought in £6,500. This included successful sports and social events, and other donations through MyDonate. Gift Aid amounted to over £6,000.

We are very grateful for the efforts of small and large donors alike. Your contributions are very much appreciated on the ground in Tyume Valley.