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Rusuzumiro, on the 2nd of April 2021

Ms. Sue Jepson

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Through:

Dear Ms. Alison Hawksley

BPS – G.S. Rusuzumiro Partnership Intermediator

Re: Gratitude letter

Dear Ms. Sue,

On behalf of the School, I head – Groupe Scolaire RUSUZUMIRO and personally, I am very glad to write this letter to you with aim of extending my gratitude and appreciation for the amazing work done by the school you head – Barnes Primary School, since our schools' partnership begun.

It is not easy to enumerate all the achievements you helped our school to reach; I can only state some of them.

We recognize this huge support to our school development and are so thankful for this great love you ever show us. Some of the projects you helped us to reach, I may enumerate are the following:

- Students' lunches funding for boosting the school attendance before we started to be fed by World Food Program
- Saving the school infrastructures from sliding away and you helped us to build a fixing wall of 35m x 5m.
- Girls and washing rooms to support girl's education.
- Toilets and their sewage machine to improve the school hygiene.
- Library and reading books for boosting the reading culture among students.
- Training in Mathematics and English subjects for contributing to quality education.
- Support to students from vulnerable families in purchasing uniforms and supply of shoes.
- Supporting vulnerable families to access health insurance.
- Smart Classroom's building and their equipment to enable our school to be linked with the world.
- Books shelves
- And lastly, the color print & photocopier machine accompanied with teaching-learning materials.

All of these express the entire and empathetic love you have on us and are immensely impressive to the entire team of our school (students, teachers, parents, local community, and leaders) and deem ourselves honored to have had you as partnership head.

Still, all projects you funded at G.S. Rusuzumiro are most important ones, and their success are of the utmost importance of us. Seeing your diligence, self-dedication and empathetic

love have been source of our joy and improvement of conducive teaching-learning and general working environment in our school.

Dear Head teacher, we wish this lovely partnership may continue to grow up in different dimensions. We are very proud of this.

Attached are some photos taken when children were enjoying the best of the Smart Classrooms, you helped them to start a new era of being connected with the world.

Sincerely,

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PHOTOS OF STUDENTS AND TEACHERS WHEN INAUGURATING THE SMARTCLASSROOMS, ON THE 24th of FEBRUARY -2021





We are very lucky to possess two ICT Classrooms! – Teacher’s work is going to be improved and easy. Children got an opportunity of developing their knowledge through digital learning and library. This is a great achievement we ever got in our schools! Please, we shall ever sing your great love our Dearest Barnes Community!!!!

Our response

Dear Vincent,

Thank you so much for your lovely email. We are absolutely delighted that so much has been achieved under your leadership. You must be so proud of your school, pupils, and community. Rusuzumiro is very much a part of the Barnes Primary School community and is a partnership that we take great pride in. Our link is deeply embedded in the whole community: pupils, staff, and parents. The children are always delighted to see photos and read communications from you and are excited by the changes they see as our link develops. Your letter will form a part of our whole school Friday assembly when we return to school after the break. It will also be in our weekly newsletter to the Barnes Primary School family so that parents also know about the developments. We have recently built a page on our website to celebrate our link with yourselves. Please take a look: <https://barnesprimaryschool.co.uk/news-events/rusuzumiro-our-link-school-in-rwanda/>

It is incredibly special that we have been able to maintain and strengthen this link over many years and to see the bond grow as the years progress. The list you have put together highlights the many ways that the community have come together and the variety of projects that you are undertaking in your drive to continually improve your provision. What a sensational achievement. The part that we have helped with is just a small to assist you in your journey. It is you and your community who have then so successfully activated, set up, organised the logistics, implemented the changes and embedded the new initiatives. We fully appreciate all that you have done to enable the maximum gains. There is so much work that has gone into the developments that you have instigated. A huge well done to you all.

We too hope that our partnership will continue to flourish and grow as the years progress. It would be wonderful if we can manage more of our community visiting you, however I sadly fear it will be a while before we are able to do this in the current situation.

With warmest wishes always,

Sue

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