## Mikwano Children's Trust Uganda

A huge thank you to all our donors and 2011 news

In 2011, despite a reduction in donations, we managed to continue with all of our projects from previous years and feel we had some successes. We really appreciate that the financial climate is hitting us all and remain extremely grateful for your generosity. Here are some of the highlights of 2011. For the full report, please go to www.mikwano.org

In February Rachel and Jenny made the annual visit to monitor our projects and pay the school fees. This year, though, we had some extra help – Phil came with us as our educational advisor! (You will all remember that all expenses, such as flights and accommodation are met by the trustees personally). We were able to continue funding over 200 primary school children in 4 schools in Kampala, and to fund 2 schools in Mpigi, where there are a large number of orphans cared for in the community. The picture is of the staff meeting (under a tree), showing the teachers' books that Mikwano bought. We also paid for a classroom floor to be concreted, to protect against 'jiggers' (sandflies that burrow into the children's feet).



We were pleased that the little girl whose chemotherapy we sponsored has completed her treatment and is so much better. She was unable to walk or talk a year ago and now is running and chatting. Here she is with her delighted mother. Once again we spent some time at Providence Home, and were able to go shopping with Sister Juliet. Here is the truck loaded with bags of flour, rice and beans - this will feed the children for several weeks. We also took some dresses for the girls

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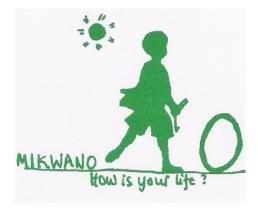
there, and had a wonderful evening trying them all on. They were thrilled!



One achievement this visit was teaching the occupational therapist at Providence Home to recatheterise a severely disabled boy, who otherwise has to go to the hospital. These boys were looking in through the 'window' of

main reception at the hospital when we went to collect some supplies!

Once again, thank you all so much. None of this would be possible without your generosity.



It really is worthwhile.

James, Rachel, Jenny, Maureen and Graham