

Welcome News

from South Africa August 2022

...in which you will read about a HAPPY HOLIDAY and a successful FUNDRAISING EVENT...

HAPPY HOLIDAY!

At 5.00 in the morning on 24 June 5 children and their Mama arrived at Heathrow Airport having been travelling for 24 hours. Were they exhausted? No!! Immediately it was obvious that they were going to throw their hearts and souls into their holiday in England.

It took them a little while to realise that they were not required to wear masks here, but soon they disappeared, not to be seen again until the flight home. In South Africa there is always concern for personal safety — especially for children - and so the freedom of being in England is such a joy for them. Just being allowed to walk on their own to the post box in Piddlehinton is a liberation.

This being their second visit, they were excited to see the friends they made 3 years ago. It seemed that 4 weeks would not be long to fit everyone and everything in. We did our best! These pictures should give you a flavour of just how happy this holiday was.















ALL ON A DORSET SUMMER'S EVENING – 9 JULY 2022

A date the children looked forward to was what they called "The Party". Their interest was in who they would meet (especially their English cousins), what they would eat and what they would wear. Adult concerns were much more practical – tents, food and drink, tables and chairs etc etc. What we did not have to worry about was whether it would rain. The weather forecast told us there no chance!

This was the 7th Future Bright Trust event held in Paddock House garden and some of you said it was the best. Who knows? What we do know is that it was a very happy occasion and a very successful one. On the day we raised £2,063.50 from sales on the stalls and donations in the Golden Box. When the donations sent from friends unable to attend were added in the total came to £3,796.50. Thanks to the generosity of so many people who donated food and supplies for the supper and goodies for the stalls, our expenses were minimal. The actual amount raised was therefore £3,643.95.

A truly wonderful result and we do want you to know that all the money will be used to fund the education of Phelisa, Emmy, Phelo, Onelani, and Inam. Already Mother Zelma has let me know that she had to buy a number of items of school uniform when they returned to Grahamstown – it seemed that all 5 children had grown during their stay in England!

Sincere thanks to all of you who helped make this possible. Neither Mother Zelma nor the Trustees take any of your generosity for granted. We hope that you feel satisfied that your support is working.



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