



Dear friends and supporters,

We have come to the end of another academic year at the Nicolas Robinson School and enjoyed continuing success in many activities. We have had visitors from many parts of the world and in particular, we would like to thank the US embassy in Addis Ababa for sending a team of NBA players and trainers to the school for a basketball training day last summer.

Another highlight was the visit of the blue grass musical group “Crow and the Canyon” which was also organised by the US embassy in March this year. We highlighted this exciting event on our Facebook page and you can follow us there for the latest news from the Nicolas Robinson School. <https://www.facebook.com/Rainbows4children/>

We will send out another newsletter later in the summer, with more information on our water purification systems courtesy of “Aqua Pura”, a Swiss organisation. We will also bring you news of the delivery of more computers, thanks to Computer Aid International and the money raised by George Potts of the UK, who walked to the South Pole in December 2017 to raise money for the school.

You don’t have to walk to the South Pole to support us, because you can help in so many other ways. One of the most important programs that helps sustain the school is sponsoring children from disadvantaged families where one or both parents have a disability. If you would like to sponsor a child from one of these families, please write to us at info@rainbows4children.org.

If you already sponsor a child we thank you, and please encourage your friends to support this programme!

We are delighted with the quality of training that we are now achieving at the Youth and Adult Training Centre, where we run short courses in food preparation and waiting at table. All 16 students who recently took the Certificate of Competence exams in these subjects passed. This 100% pass rate contrasts very favourably with most other training centres which rarely achieve a pass rate of more than 50%. Next, we will add ICT training, in particular, we will offer short-training courses in regularly-used programmes, in order to improve the skills of young people and existing managers and office workers who have never been formally trained.

Once again, the practical training has shown that learning by doing is the best way to help young people develop new skills.

We thank you for your continued support. Please enjoy the short video in this link and we will send out another update later in the summer.

<https://youtu.be/RAoYlaxP8hw>

Our very best wishes

Kathryn and Max