



Frequently asked Questions regarding the The Lunchbowl Sponsorship programme

Q. May I contact my sponsored child and how often?

A. Yes you can contact your sponsored child by card or letter on their birthday (if known) or at Christmas when you will also be contacted about donating to a Christmas fund to enable Lunchbowl to provide a small gift for all the children. We ask that you do not enclose your contact details in any communication as this may cause problems. Please contact Sue Stears by email to request address for any post.

Q. Will I receive information about the child I sponsor?

A. Yes. Once a year you will receive writing and a drawing from the child you support and an annual mini report of their progress. The latest news about the work of Lunchbowl is regularly posted on the website www.lunchbowl.org

Q. May I send gifts to my sponsored child?

A. We ask that you **do not** send gifts as it can cause distress to the other children as not everyone is sponsored

Q. How much does it cost to sponsor a child through the programme?

A. **It costs £25 per month**, which includes quality teaching in small classes (25) in a safe clean environment, school uniform, nutritious breakfast, fruit snacks, hot lunch every school day, dental hygiene, basic medication and first aid, termly educational visits, iPad learning activities, which overall gives high international teaching in a stimulating learning environment.

Q. For how long will I be expected to sponsor this child?

A. For as long as the child is in the programme, potentially 11 years, as this may include 3 years in Kindergarten and up to year 8 in Primary education. In Kenya children start senior school at the age of 13 years, year 9). When a child moves into the senior school system sponsorship for that child will cease and you will be contacted to see if you wish to continue sponsorship for another child. Unfortunately, we do not have provision to stay in contact with the child once they move into the senior school system. Also, from time to time a child is removed from the Lunchbowl programme by their family without explanation. Unfortunately, this does happen in Kibera slum, which is a very unreliable and challenging place to work, especially when we are offering such life changing help for the children that is being rejected. If this happens, Sue will contact you and we ask for your understanding in this matter as we appreciate it can be disappointing.

Q. What will happen to my sponsored child if I can no longer afford to provide financially for them?

A. We appreciate your circumstances can change, therefore if you need to withdraw support please email Sue Stears. We will never remove a child from the sponsorship programme once they have been enrolled in it, and will therefore do our best to find another sponsor for that child.

Q. What happens to my personal details and bank details once they have been sent to you?

A. The Lunchbowl Network is fully compliant with the Data Protection Act, all personal details will not be passed on to any other party and all details will be kept securely on file.

Q. Who do I contact if I have any questions or problems with my Sponsorship?

A. Please contact Sue Stears if you have any questions.

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