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### **To all friends and fundraisers of Tumaini Children's Home, Mombasa**

Welcome to this short but important newsletter. We hope to bring you up to date with how the Home is doing and of events that people have engaged in to raise much needed funds for the Home.

**A BIG THANK YOU TO PERRY CRIMMINS for raising £750 running in the London Marathon. The toes are now recovered he tells me!**

**On Saturday, 19th May, Sam Bird will be parachuting her way out of the sky and has already raised over £700 from well-wishers. We all wish her a safe trip back to base! THANK YOU IN ADVANCE, SAM.**

**Our latest good news is that we now have UK Charity Status.**

**The UK Charity No. is 1119126.** We are now in the process of seeking permission from the Inland Revenue to allow donors to receive tax concessions on their donations. Watch this space.

As many of you know, the Home featured in the Jeremy Kyle show on Tuesday, 15th May. This has raised an enormous amount of response and Joan is so excited about it. JK hopes to go back there next year, so watch this space.

**For quick reference, although we do have most of this information on our website, we are reiterating some factual information for you all. The last newsletter is added to the visitor news page – it takes a while to open.**

**Joan Smith - Founder. Address: PO Box 10478, Mombasa, Kenya.** Tel: 00254 (or +254) (0) 733736956. When texting Joan use +254733736956. Joan does not have a land line. Joan now has access to email through a friend, who is: [crispintambwe@yahoo.com](mailto:crispintambwe@yahoo.com). She would welcome news from you all and it is probably the best way of giving her information about your visit.

**The directions to Tumaini Children's Home:** The Home is situated in Bamburi, north of Mombasa town (about half an hour's drive from the airport). Look for signs for the Bamburi Cement Works, which is just off the main highway from Mombasa to Malindi/Kilifi. Turn left at this point and head towards the cement works. You will pass it on your left - a couple of miles on and a couple of roundabouts later; you will see a sign

for the Home on the right hand side of the road. Go down this narrow track and you will hear the children laughing - follow these joyful sounds!

We have a number of enquiries about doing voluntary work at the Home. Although people are welcome to visit and spend time with the children we do have a facility where people can apply for longer periods of voluntary work. We currently work with the following organisation. i-to-i. Their website is: [www.i-to-i.com](http://www.i-to-i.com). Their tel. no. is: 0800 011 1156. Their email address is: [info@i-to-i.com](mailto:info@i-to-i.com)

Speaking to Joan recently I asked her what she needs most out there. She said, **MONEY. Basically they need CD4 counter: Bio Chemical Analyser: Coulter Counter. This is the equipment needed for blood testing the children. The CD4 counter costs £17,000: the other two pieces of equipment cost about £5,500 each. There is also the second storey to be built.** With this equipment they hope to open up a clinic for the community as well as offering counselling. This is probably the most important side of the Home, in order to lower the numbers of children still abandoned and dying from HIV/AIDS. Please use the website to download the Donations/Standing Order form. **THANKYOU.**

Just to remind you also that the Home is now registered and can take children from NGOs (non-government organisations) as well as Social Services. For the children, this will be their home until they wish to leave as adults. The Home will be their legal guardian.

If any of you have useful information regarding voluntary work: adoption: update on a recent visit, etc. we would love to hear from you (email address above).

Finally, we have some beautifully illustrated flyers which we can send out to you to support you if you are putting on an event.

**Thank you all so much for your support. Best wishes,**

**Mary Leadbetter: Michael O'Leary: Bronwyn May: Susan Filby - TRUSTEES**