

Society of Paediatric Medicine Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Hull York Medical School (HYMS) and Sethule Orphan's Trust

The Shoebox Appeal

Every year the HYMS Society of Paediatric Medicine (SoPM) organises a Christmas Shoebox Appeal in partnership with the charity Sethule Orphan's Trust. This current scheme has been running within the Medical School for the past two years with students from all years filling shoeboxes to send off to disadvantaged HIV orphans in rural Zimbabwe.

The Shoebox Appeal aims to;

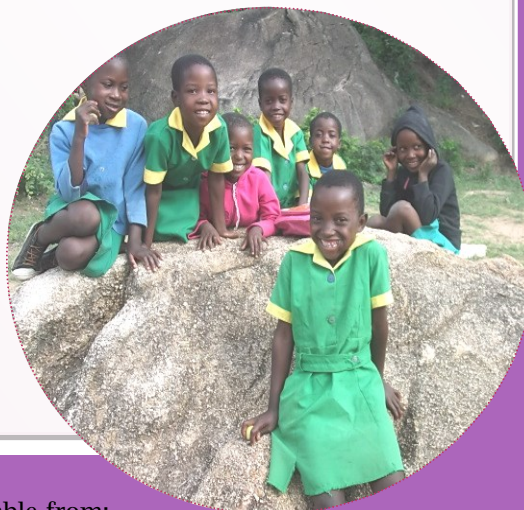
- 1). Help bring joy and happiness to children!!
- 2). Send as many shoeboxes filled with various items to disadvantaged children
- 3). Help promote inter-HYMS relations between students by working as teams especially within PBL groups
- 4). Raise the awareness and profile of the Charity involved

Having a close partnership with a small charity means that we can follow our shoeboxes straight from the students' hands to the orphans' hands in Zimbabwe.

After each shoebox delivery we receive photographs of this unique Christmas event, where many of the orphans get to open their first ever present!

Through this, it is evident how something so small, can do so much, for so little!

So far we have sent off a total of 62 boxes to Emarika Pre-school, in Bulawayo and have raised over £200 for the charity.



Sethule
Orphans Trust 



Sethule Trust is a charity focusing on bringing together orphans and families torn apart by HIV, poverty and unemployment in rural communities in Zimbabwe.

The Aims of the charity is to;

- Integrate orphans into families
- Support and strengthen families
- Uphold the interests of orphans and vulnerable children in rural areas
- Promote the rights of children
- Reduce the vulnerability of children to abuse, STI's and HIV/AIDS



Further information is available from:

www.sethule.org.uk (Charity No. 1119342) or email hysm3@hysm.ac.uk
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