

SACU 2022 Annual Report



Words From SACU Leadership

We welcome you to the summary of 2022 activities of SAC Buikwe (U). The school is currently operating under a License and a registered UNEB Centre number (830083). I extend my sincere gratitude to the Donors, Sponsors, family and friends for your financial support and the staff for their commitment to executing the school curriculum and activities. Special thanks to our parents for trusting us to provide an excellent learning environment to prepare the children for their future.

We all faced many challenges during the COVID19 pandemic with price increments for scholastic materials with food items being the greatest. Our committee and supporters in Uganda are doing their best to work through the struggles.

Currently, SACU (U) Buikwe is working with Quality High School to establish a long lasting relationship whereby the successful primary candidates at SACU Primary School will attend this High School.

I thank the Almighty for seeing us through all the struggles so far.

Nsera Ivan
Director
SAC Buikwe (U)



With the grace & love of God, we have managed to conclude this year 2022 with 3 successful terms of study. We congratulate those who have attained success this year, and we stand together with those who have faced some difficulties and challenges in life.

Most notably this past year, we have developed an excellent pastoral care team & a pupil support team, the envy of any school. Our support for pupils includes a specialist resource provision for pupils with special needs, continuing the inclusive nature of our school.

High quality education, fantastic results and post primary education for all is our goal as we work hard to support every pupil to achieve their best.

Our highly qualified staff have a passion for teaching as they inspire young, inquisitive minds and motivate them to push themselves further.

As Headteacher I take the opportunity to get to know all the students in the school learning environment.

I am very proud of this SAC Buikwe (U) Primary school and feel very privileged to be leading it.

Ann Isabah
Headteacher
SAC Buikwe (U)



Introduction

SAC Buikwe (U) is the official organizational name for an independent Primary School & Nursery, one of which receives tuition funding from SACU Canada. We are also registered in Uganda as a Non Governmental Organization. Our focus is on Education, Health & the wellbeing of over 200 students that attend the SACU Primary School & Nursery.

In January 2022 classes were able to begin again after struggling through COVID. There were 14 teachers prepared to teach 10 levels of primary students.

The boys & girls worked very hard at sharpening their skills in the game of football as they competed during the year with much success.

Outings taken were either school tours to expand the knowledge of the students outside the classroom as well as trips to enjoy some fun activities.

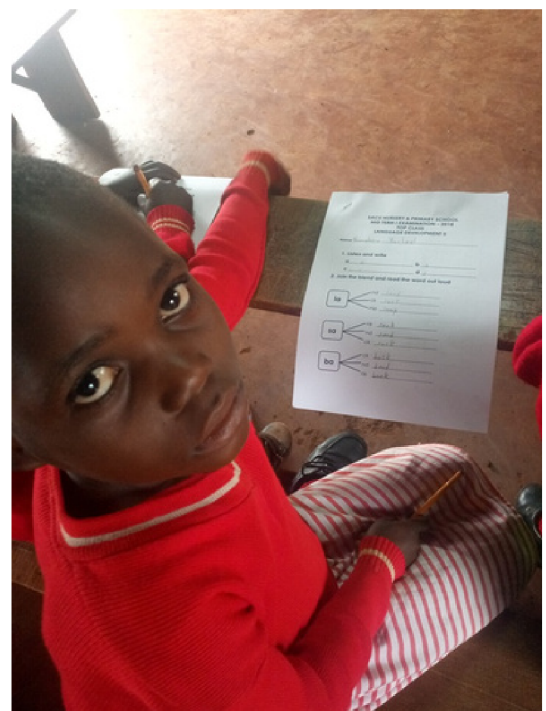
Trips included:

- Entebbe International Airport
- Kasuba tombs incorporating Ganda history
- Freedom City for games & water play

What We Do

We

- offer the vulnerable children of Buwundo the opportunity to grow through education under the guidance of caring teachers who will support the students physically, emotionally & socially
- provide free education for children from 3yrs to P7
- provide free post primary education
- partner with Quality High School, St Lwanga Technical School, St. Savio Junior School & Uganda National Association of the Deaf
- monitor the progress of all students through their educational journey
- provide lodging & care for the children who are orphaned
- support each child's religious faith including Muslim, Catholic & Anglican



Staff wages and salaries



Primary Grade Teachers



Male Teachers



Ivan with the SACU staff, shelter moms, cook, driver & cattle keeper

Amidst the economic hardships hitting the education sector in Uganda, we were able to satisfy all the salaries and wages of our teachers and staff throughout the year.

TIN number and NSSF are requirements of the government, which are a saving plan for retirement.

All our staff were able to register with the Uganda Revenue Authority. Now all staff will start paying taxes to the government for both of these requirements.

It has been a challenge to retain our excellent team of teaching staff. Many other schools can offer greater salaries than SACU Primary School. Ann & staff take time in training & staff meetings to enhance their skills and to encourage team work. Our budget is tight but we are able to provide a monthly food supplement to the staff.

Giving to the education fund will ensure that our teachers are well paid, committed to continuing to work with SACU Primary and provide enriching learning material.



Nutrition Program

SACU Primary School budgets for 2 meals during the school days. Mid morning they are served posha, a nutritious thick drink. Mid afternoon could be rice, beans or greens

Sponsors on occasion send funds for an extra treat for the children which could be watermelon, eggs or bananas. This is a well received snack.

Funds are also given for food packages to support the families of the students at home. These packages typically have seeds in them so as to encourage caregivers/parents to plant their own gardens but also will include necessity items such as soap, oil & maize flour.



Health Program

SACU Primary has connected with community agencies to support the health of the students.

SACU Primary partners with the St Lwanga hospital for student care once a year, usually in February.

AIDS testing is also completed as so many adults have been afflicted with the disease and pass it on to their newborns.

Malaria can be severe and must be treated in hospital. Yellow fever is not immunized for in Uganda as it is very expensive but a real threat. A nurse will visit SACU Primary on occasion as needed.



Celebrations

Easter was celebrated with a meal for all the students of rice, beans, and beef. This meal was provided from special donations.

Thanksgiving brought religious leaders from the Catholic, Anglican & Protestant communities to give thanks with prayers & dedications.



Christmas 2022

Christmas in past years were large events with families coming together to enjoy a wonderful meal. Due to the restrictions on large gatherings and in order to keep our students safe, food packages were distributed. The families of the neighbouring villages are grateful to have SACU as a meeting place and a learning space for the children in their care.



Education Update:

In February, the beginning of the new school year, voting for prefects takes place within the student body. These students are chosen by secret ballot to perform various aspects of student life. The first day of class is an exciting time for the students from Day Care to P7 as they gather to start their learning journey.

SACU has a football & a netball team that competes with other schools. In the sport curriculum the teams compete and achieve success.

Applications were created to present to 3 categories of students, Primary 4 - 6, Primary 7 & Senior High School. These applications ask questions according to level of schooling. Questions such as what their chores are at home and what they like about school, to what their goal is to study in High School and finally asking for career choices of the oldest category.

During the school year the students in P7 have an exam, PLE, Primary Leaving Exam as a government requirement to enter either High School or Technical School. Our students have performed extremely well in past years and are greatly celebrated in the media for the strong marks presented by our students. At the end of the 2022 school year there were 41 students in High School and 3 who are graduating out of Technical School!

COVID brought challenges such as at home learning. A totally different experience as many of the students did not have laptops or electricity at home to power them. Refurbished laptops were purchased and the students were allowed to work at SACU sharing a laptop sometimes between 2-3 students.



Classroom uniforms & & sport uniforms with sport shoes



Post Primary Training Programs



Here are two of our students learning skills at St Lwanga Technical school. One student, Ronald Myanga has graduated from St Lwanga and is currently working & earning a living. This is a wonderful success story!



Below, Proscovia Nakyeeyune who is attending a school for the deaf is being taught the art of sewing. She is doing well and learning how to operate a treadly sewing machine! We have great hopes for her becoming a seamstress and possibly one day helping our tailor produce the uniforms for SACU Primary School!



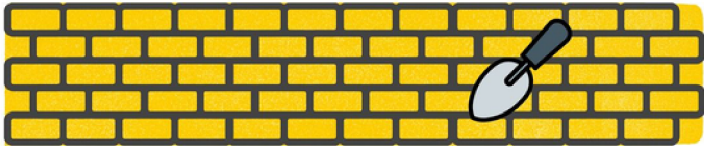
Our Quality High School students are using laptops for the first time in their lives to do their schoolwork. Currently we are purchasing refurbished computers on a yearly basis.



Gifts & Fundraising



Safety is our Priority
Support our urgent appeal
to build a security fence



\$12,000 raised for the new fence



A new washroom with running water was built after the "latrines" became a health hazard and needed replacement
\$8,400 raised

We raised \$9500 so far!

Looking forward to our walkathon in 2023!
Seacliff Park Learnington

Save African Child Uganda

Walking our way to a bright future!

sacupirit.org
sacuganda.org
sacucanada on facebook

Contact a member or email us to sign up or donate!
info@sacuganda.org
(tax receipts for \$20 or more)

The walkathon is always a great success raising over \$11,200!

Here are a few of our successful fundraisers in 2021/2

Our budget relies on over \$30,000 from our fundraising efforts.

Special requests from SAC Buikwe (U) came to our attention, such as the washrooms needing replacement.

A campaign was started and with the support of our Sponsors & Donors we were able to hit our target.



Golf at Woodland Hills raising \$1,385



Sponsors gifts

Many Sponsors chose to send a package & a letter to their sponsored child. They are gratefully accepted and bring a big smile to the face of the child!

STUDENT # MUST BE ON THE OUTER PACKAGE!

We can give you student # info!

Address: Ivan Nsera
P.O. Box 73423
Kampala, Uganda
Clock Tower
25683618507

Successes & accomplishments in 2021 & 2022

(items not budgeted for)

Staff room construction

necessary teacher preparation & training
space

Fence construction

necessary due to security concerns

Washroom building

necessary for health reasons to replace aging
latrine

Additional security guards

safety for all those who live on the school
grounds

Purchase of fire extinguishers

a gov't requirement and has been on the
budget in the past

Increases in food & tuition

uncontrollable costs but managed

Auditors fees

governmental requested reports

Supplemental food for staff

to show our good faith as we cannot
afford higher competitive salaries

Van repairs

necessary transportation

Purchases of refurbished laptops

necessary high school equipment

Ivan is elected to the Buikwe District Network

he will assist in the education
field as a board member!

COVID inspection

took place in 2021 and SACU scored
98% for fulfilling the COVID precaution policies

SACU Primary scores

SACU P7's scored first in their
region with top marks on the PLE!



Staff room



Washroom building



	Budget for 2022	Actual 2022	Difference	
Income		\$95,950		211 students x \$450
Fundraising & gifts		\$80,000		
Charity Expenses				
Administrative costs in Uganda	\$16,950	\$17,209	\$259	
High School Tuition	\$25,864	\$26,406	\$542	
Uniforms	\$7,376	\$8,280	\$904	
Sweaters	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	
Teacher's Salaries	\$24,889	\$25,667	\$778	
Support staff	\$5,067	\$6,700	\$1,633	
SACU food	\$19,013	\$19,440	\$427	
School supplies	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0	
Payroll tax	\$5,929	\$5,929	\$0	
Sub-total Charitable Expense	\$111,588	\$116,131	\$4,543	
Non Profit Expenses				
Shelter Food & expenses	\$20,466	\$18,758	-\$1,708	
High school costs not tax deductible	\$7,153	\$6,799	-\$354	
Sub-total Non Profit	\$27,619	\$25,557	-\$2,062	
Grand Total Budgeted Items	\$139,207	141,688	\$2,481	
Expenses not budgeted		Item	Funds Raised	Explanation
Security fence		\$12,000	\$12,000	Security required
Security guards		\$1,457	\$1,457	Security required
Teacher's food supplement		\$2,152	\$2,152	
Sports budget & sport shoes		\$5,289	\$5,289	Sports incentive
Laptops		\$1,965	\$1,965	High school requirement
Workbooks		\$165	\$165	Required
Special classes		\$346	\$346	Student support
Floor mats		\$500	\$500	Baby class flooring
Pump Maintenance		\$670	\$670	Necessary repairs
Registration		\$455	\$455	Government requirement
Van repairs		\$760	\$760	Necessary repairs
Food cost increases		\$750	\$750	Inflation
Uniform shoe increase		\$1,163	\$1,163	Inflation
EMIS pics		\$369	\$369	Government requirement
Increase term 3 tuition		\$592	\$592	Inflation
Fire Extinguishers		\$511	\$511	Government requirement
Auditor fees		\$620	\$620	Government requirement
Miscellaneous		\$2,814	\$2,814	
Subtotal extras		\$32,578		
Grand totals	\$139,207	174,266	\$35,059	

Summary

As we look back on 2022, we realize how blessed we have been to have an amazing group of Sponsors & Donors.

Without each of you caring about the wellbeing & future success of each of the SACU sponsored students, we wouldn't be where we are today.

Although many unexpected expenses arose, we were able to meet the challenge with many spontaneous campaigns.

As SACU grows in many ways, we do our best to keep everyone informed of the changes.

We have come a long way in 12 years and we look forward to 2023 as being a year of new endeavours. With the support, prayers & continued financial support we know it will be an amazing year!



When you share your story of SACU, you are allowing others to be informed and they too, can become part of the SACU family.

Together we are changing the stories & changing the lives of so many children.

With YOU looking out for them they have a chance at a
BRIGHT FUTURE!

**THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF
OUR HEARTS!**

