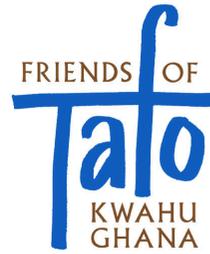


Friends of Tafo Newsletter WINTER 2005



Friends of Tafo is a UK Charity that facilitates and inspires sustainable development in education, health, employment and infrastructure in the town of Kwahu-Tafo, Ghana, West Africa.

Room for expansion



Last chance: you can still squeeze in an order for our Xmas cards. Going fast! See our website for details



After intense fundraising in Ghana and the UK, the Senior Secondary School is ready for computers (*before and after photos above*). First in: 14 computers from TV producers Celador.

Stop Press: UNESCO is lending its support to Friends of Tafo: See page 3.

FOT is: **Chair:** Humphrey Barclay, Nkosuohene of Kwahu-Tafo; **Secretary:** Georgina Owen; **Treasurer:** Benjamin Ntim; **Trustees:** Crispin Leyser, Jules Leyser, Daisy East, Lizzie Pomeroy, Robert Taylor; **Committee Members:** Colena Abbosh, Jessica Dallyn, John Ofori, Adipat Viridi.

The last six months

Here are some of the wonderful and surprising elements of every day life of Tafo which your money has supported...



Fishes, frogs and dinosaurs roam in young potter Samuel Larbi's imagination... and shop, thanks to FOT funding (*right*)



Ian and Henry (*left*) from Forest Gate in London took their places in a class at the Islamic Primary School which Eastside Young Leaders Academy is helping to rebuild.

All's well ... five of the town's 8 hand-dug wells have been refurbished thanks to Douglas Turner Trust



Francis Yeboah and beekeeping students check one of the first hives (*above*) donated by readers of GoodGifts Catalogue.

A patient receives her first ever eye examination (*left*) thanks to Bombus Foundation in Sweden

Text message: BFSS have sent no less than £7,000 worth of text books to the Senior Secondary School.

And ... The Royal Music Academy now has an income generating brass band, thanks to ie:music. "I like it", the tuba player (*right*) told us: "It is my talent".



The next six months

We have lots of plans for projects in the near future and longer term but we urgently need funding to make them happen!

An international expert is waiting in the wings to teach our recently trained Bead Makers and Tie and Dyers how to enter the tourist market (*right and below*).

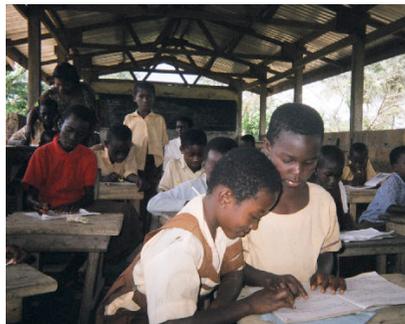


The Senior Secondary School will expand to include courses in Arts and Humanities, if we can put a floor and doors in our newly built classrooms.



The Kindergartens have no toys or teaching resources. Help us to equip the Kindergartens so children can be given a good start in life (*right*).

UNESCO is teaming up with us to make a major appeal to donors to connect Tafo schools to the internet.



£10 to spare? It could stop a child missing a whole year of school.

A team of teacher trainers are ready to come and hold in-service training workshops as soon as we can get them to Tafo.

AND the first entry in your 2006 diary! May 21st, Hackney Empire: The Empire Strikes Black 3... 2005 was a sell out: don't miss 2006!

What you can do...

Donations: join our list of generous friends! Donations by cheque, standing order or internet: www.givenow.org and www.cafonline.org

Major thanks go to: Celador · Good Gifts · ie:music · Prestigic Holdings · British and Foreign School Society · Washlands Women Runners · Christmas card buyers · Northern Rock · Society of Friends · Gresley Mission Room · Eastside Young Leaders Academy · Douglas Turner Trust · Samuel Whitbread Community College and many others...

Website: visit our updated website for more detail on all these projects

I would like to contribute, and enclose a cheque for £..... made out to "Friends of Tafo"

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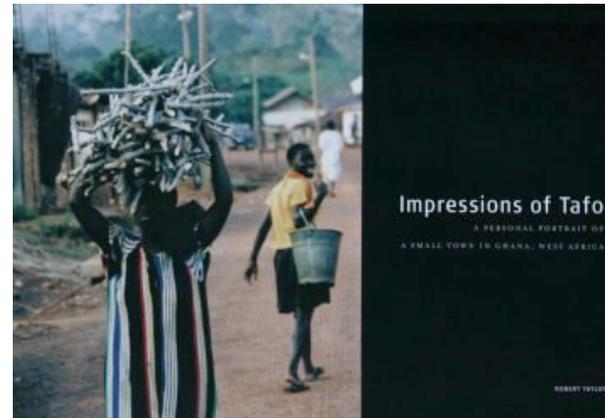
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I am a UK tax payer and would like Friends of Tafo to reclaim tax paid on my donation (tick box)

Please send to: Friends of Tafo, P.O. Box 43826, London NW6 1XG

...Thank you!



Portrait of Tafo

This beautiful book gives a unique insight into the community we are supporting. Photographer Robert Taylor is donating all proceeds to Friends of Tafo.

The book costs £15 (+£2.50 p&p) and is available from the address above.