Happy 2017 to all our supporters and we are very much looking forward to another successful year in Uganda, helping our families to lead sustainable and satisfying lives. A big THANK YOU for the Xmas gifts sent to the children and for help with money to provide a special Xmas dinner for them. A good time was had by one and all ©.

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## Forthcoming events...

## April Fool's Disco

Bletsoe Village Hall April 1st

### Gongs & sale

Rushden Spiritualist Church April 15th

## Easter raffle

To be drawn on Good Friday

## Summer Day's event

Venue TBC 24th June

## Clapham Show

OSAAT stand and stalls
9th September

## **Uganda consignment dates 2017**



SEP

NOV

23 **JAN**  13 **MAR** 

24 **APR** 

12 **JUN** 



# Jacqueline Adar - our new Board Member in Uganda

We are delighted to welcome a new board member to replace our great late friend Betty. Jaqueline is a teacher in a local senior school and is the Osaat representative for our families. We are delighted to have a full complement of Uganda board members who can be seen on our website: www.one-step-at-a-time.org.uk





## Football news

### **Under 14s news**

JUL

9 **OCT** 

If you have ever heard anyone say any aid to Africa is a waste of time just look at these faces. These boys are our Under 14s team and the kit was so kindly donated by Jason Thompson from his team and it reached complete with shorts and socks. These children are all from one of the poorest areas in Lira and imagine as they all emerge feeling so proud. We could never buy these smiles it is down to all of you who have donated items, money for boots, gloves, footballs and certificates re proof of age. The Uganda Youth Football Association (UYFA) under FUFA organized a tournament but unfortunately they did not manage to reach final since the information was received too late for the match day. But definitely onwards and upwards for this young team!

### **Under 17s news**

Our football players Under 17s were given a toilet bag and sponge to use on their away tournaments as a Christmas gift from Osaat. They have also received their certificates for their silver trophy achievement. Happy days from boys from one of the poorest areas of Lira. Always believe you can achieve the impossible.





Join the OSAAT 100 club and you could be our next winner.

For just £2 per month you could be a lucky winner of £100, £80, £60 in one of the 3 monthly draws, or the bonus prize winner of £240 which will be drawn once a year, in time for Christmas.

You can download the rules and application form from: www.one-step-at-a-time.org.uk/OSAAT\_100\_Club\_Rules.pdf. Or contact Richard Morgan: richard.morgan28@btopenworld.com and to enter you must be aged 16 or over.

### Success stories

All our Ugandan families have a story to tell and their success stories range from small steps towards independence to a giant leap towards a successful career. We would like to share some of their stories with you each month to show how children can thrive with love and care. A huge thank you of course to everyone for the support that you give.



### Sarah Auma

Sarah has just completed her primary leaving exam and has done so well. We are incredibly proud of her achievements at grade 2 just missing grade 1 by a single point! Staff at OSAAT are talking now to her mother about going to senior school to start her 'O' levels. Very well done to Sarah!



### **Dominic Owera**

We are delighted to welcome Dominic into OSAAT formally as a sponsored child. Thank you to Els for agreeing to support him in motor cycle mechanics for 2 years.

Dominic has brought himself up on the street for 5 years and he came to visit our office when Sandra was in Uganda to discuss his future.

OSAAT staff have worked with him since then and he has shown such a strong determination to get off the street and make a life for himself. We found his lost dad who has agreed he can live with him while he does his training and he will feed him too.

This is the pure joy of OSAAT's work to see a child find their father, to find he cares, and to leave street life. We wish Dominic every success for the future.

Thank you again to all our supporters, your contributions large or small mean so much to our families. If you are interested in becoming an OSAAT trustee please don't hesitate to contact us – more details of the role of trustee will be included in the February newsletter so watch this space...