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Equipping Bush School Dormitories, Zambia



Chunga Primary school is based deep in the bush within Kafue National Park at Chunga Command, a field station for Zambia's Department of National Parks and Wildlife anti-poaching operations in the north of the park. It is located close to the research camp of our partner in Kafue **GRI-Zambia Primate Project**.

Ca. 400 attend this bush school, the children of wildlife scouts based at the Command along with children from the local communities bordering the national park. Although the school receives support from the Government it is, as is widely the case in government-adopted rural schools throughout Zambia, only for the bare essentials. As the school is located in a wildlife-rich area, many of the children are boarders as they cannot walk between home and school safely each day.

High Five Club Support: We have continued our support of this rural school based within Zambia's largest protected area, Kafue National Park. Last year together we funded the renovation of both the girls and boys dormitories as they were collapsing and posing a danger to the pupil's lives. With a recent grant of £1,380 to the school, High Five Club members and our long-term education supporter Roffey Homes have joined hands to equip the dormitories with 20 bunk beds complete with mattresses. At the same time the school and the Chunga community have together funded another 20.



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This means that 80 children are now sleeping comfortably each night, instead of on the floor as previously.



As before we have channelled our support through our partner in Kafue **GRI - Zambia Primate Project** - a project that Cheryl is involved with that rescues, rehabilitates and returns to the wild (in the bush bordering Chunga School) baboons and vervet monkeys that are victims of the illegal bush meat and pet trades in Zambia.

In this way the pupils and community are able to link this development at the school with the protection of primates in Zambia. This H5C intervention really is a win-win for both people and wildlife!

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