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High Five Club Gifted Pupil Sponsorship, Zambia



As school fees are payable for attending secondary school in Zambia, many children living in poor, rural communities leave education after primary school. This is especially true for girls. There are also few secondary schools in rural areas, and even fewer that deliver a quality education. Those families that are willing and able have to therefore struggle to raise the funds to send their most gifted children to a government boarding school, many miles away from home.

During 2016, we have been privileged to continue our sponsorship for the fourth consecutive year of the very gifted and future wildlife conservation star, **Felistus Chikumba**. You may remember that based on her grades when completing primary school, Felistus won a place at the best state boarding school in Zambia - **Katete Girls Boarding School**. Without High Five Club's support Felistus would not have been able to take up this opportunity, as her family live in extreme poverty.

Felistus passed her Grade 10 exams at the end of last year with flying colours and did extremely well in her end of year report. She always works extremely hard and mentors less able students at her school in the more difficult subjects of Maths and Science in which she is particularly gifted.

This year 16-year old Felistus completed Grade 11, meaning that next year is her final year at secondary school. We are extremely excited about her future prospects thereafter.

Through High Five Club sponsorship Felistus's school, examination and boarding fees were paid throughout 2016 and she has also received the following:.

School bag, 2 sets of school uniform, socks, leather school shoes, 10 exercise books, texts books in maths and science, a maths set, scientific calculator, pencils, pens, ruler, grocery money (for soap, washing powder, toothpaste, shoe polish etc.) and transport money between her home and school each term.

Thank you so much for all your continued support which has enabled Felistus to partake in another year of schooling which she would otherwise have been unlikely to have been able to do. You have made a real difference to her life.

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Felistus's school sponsorship totalled £665 this year and is efficiently and compassionately managed by our long-term partner in Zambia, the **Chipembele Wildlife Education Trust** www.chipembele.org, a charitable organisation that focuses on conservation education for local school children in the area of South Luangwa National Park.

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