

Newsletter

12th December 2008

Clothes & Shoes etc

Denise has been collecting donations of clothes, shoes, football boots, soft toys, books and games to send out to the home. We have been wondering for a while how to get the 12 boxes sent over as it is incredibly expensive.

We have been amazingly lucky and clever Denise found a freight company who have agreed to send by ship to Kampala for nothing! We packed up Caroline's van with 12 large boxes and took them up to their depot in Edmonton. We had to unpack everything into large 'post' bags which then went into 2 huge boxes to go into the container for shipping. The lot weighed 260 kgs. They should get there in February 2009.

Yusuf who runs the company is from Uganda and he was very happy to help, we are really grateful to him. Thank you very much to all those people who donated clothes etc.

Raffle

The raffle was a great success and raised £400

The prizes were tennis lessons, pilates lessons, reflexology, a meal out for 2, vouchers and many smaller items.

Thank you to everyone who bought tickets and donated prizes.

Run

Denise did the Adidas 5K run in September with someone she met when she went into Barclays Bank to ask for a donation. She was told they could not help but the Bank Manager Jayne Allen, stepped in and did the run with her. Jayne raised £360 and the bank doubled this amount. Denise raised £1200.

Tennis Drives

Denise has been running monthly tennis drives which have raised about £1000 and there will be more in 2009.

Help from others

Some other coaches did an auction and raised £2000 for Daniel's Dream. A ticket was donated for Wimbledon and this raised £400. Kitchen Table, a UK charity formed to help smaller charities, donated £6000 which enabled Daniel to move the kids into better premises and furnish the new house.

Visit

Denise and Caroline have now booked their tickets to go over from the 7th to 20th February. This will be Denise's 2nd visit and for Caroline the first time to see the orphanage and meet the boys and see life in Kampala.