



Dear all,

Since last year we are active on [Facebook](#), where we publish a weekly news item. Furthermore, we present Tanzania Foundation Support also as a 'company' on LinkedIn. Please help Tanzania Support to 'like' (Facebook) and "follow" (LinkedIn), if you use these social media because in that way, it extends our reach.

Tanzania Support now even has video images from Selela. Click [here](#) to see them.

And if you would like to see this all live, you are very much invited to go on a trip to Tanzania. At the end of this Newsletter you can read more about this.



A premiere for Tanzania Support is our first '**Kilimanjaro Expedition**', due for next June: climbing the highest mountain in Africa. Six sporty types take up the challenge, led by an expert mountain guide and necessary porters. They climb via the Rongai route - one of the most scenic but certainly not an easy route - in 6 days the summit of 5895 meters height. Sandra, Job, René, Karin, Oscar and Johan go up this mountain by their own strength and at their own expenses.

Companies and individuals can however encouraged them more by sponsoring the climb. All benefits are for Tanzania Support Foundation.

See '<http://kilisponsor.weebly.com>' for more information and a sponsorship form (in Dutch only).

News from Tanzania

Ultrasound device

Last November delegate Sapunyu Kone of Monduli District requested if the ultrasound device, donated to Selela by the students 'Corlaer4Selela', could be passed on to the district hospital at Monduli. In Selela the device cannot be used because there is no electricity and the local doctor has insufficient knowledge. The members of the Village Council of Selela, however, decided that the device should be at a closer location, that is to say in the regional hospital in Mto wa Mbu, because that is more accessible to



the residents of Selela. Johan will see to it next June to ensure that the device will actually be used there by a gynecologist or other medical specialist.

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Old, damaged mattresses at Monduli hospital



Dilapidated wheelchair without tires at Monduli hospital

In addition the dispensary in Selela also lacks the necessary equipment and furniture. This 'first aid station' should, in terms of catchment area of more than 5000 dwellers, actually be a clinic with 12 beds, but there is only 1 bed without mattress, and no budget to set up 2nd treatment room, which has already been constructed three years ago, but is waiting empty. We like to hear whether you know inputs or hints or sponsors.

Computers for the secondary school

To her big surprise last November Marianne was told by Sapunyu Kone that the government will provide the necessary equipment for solar energy at Oltinga school, as a sequel to Tanzania Support's donation of 25 computers and three-year of coaching by Viafrica foundation. His counter request is if perhaps we can offer support in the realization of a first local science classroom for biology, physics and chemistry. The participants of the camping trip last month already supplied five microscopes to Oltinga school. A microscope of a retired general practitioner will join the others next June, as excess baggage on a KLM flight. For this, we rely on the Foundation 'Aviation without Borders', who offer the transport



Empty room in the Selela dispensary



Science classroom under construction at Oltinga secondary school

of larger medical equipment cargo, such as wheelchairs and beds, for free.
Still it remains that we hope to find redundant medical and laboratory equipment

Income for women

Some Selela women wanted to speak to Marianne in a 'secret talk', they would like Tanzania Support to think about how the women themselves can earn some money. Recently, through transport by DPA (www.dpanet.nl), 6 secondhand sewing machines departed for a 2 to 3 month journey by boat to Tanzania for this purpose. Also we study the possibility of the production and selling of jewelry and souvenirs by the women of Selela.



Basic education for all children

16 kilometers away from Selela there appears to be another primary school, with 314 boys and 151 girls, all Maasai. This school is located in a very vast and dry area so that many children who live far away from school are not attending (girls are also less likely allowed by their parents). With the construction of two separate dormitories, latrines and bathing facilities, this problem can be solved.



The supervisory teachers already live near school and 2 daily meals are provided by the World Food Program of the United Nations. Tanzania Support deeply recognizes the need for sleeping accommodation, so that each child can at least have an elementary education. Education itself is free. Video recordings of the school in Mbaash can be found via our [YouTube channel](#). Who has an idea where funding for this purpose can be found??



Welcome at school,
even without
school uniform

Development begins with the youngest

On the back seat of a motorcycle Marianne ended up in Nardosoito, a small set of Maasai boma's, where over 30 small children come together in the morning for 'nursery school', a kind of kindergarten. The children learn to interact, discipline and the principles of language and calculating. The parents pay an approximate € 0.50 per month per child for the teacher.



School class at
Nardosoito



Marianne with the
Nardosoito school
committee

The community is very proud of the initiative they started 3 years ago in the shade of a tree, now a large hut is built there to protect them from the sun. Tanzania Support is requested to contribute for better housing and school equipment. We hope to find materials for e.g. playing, games and sports. And, if we can find budget, we would like to build a few latrines, because these are entirely lacking. The wish for a real classroom we have to put on hold for the time being.

News from the Netherlands

Nature activities in the Veluwe region

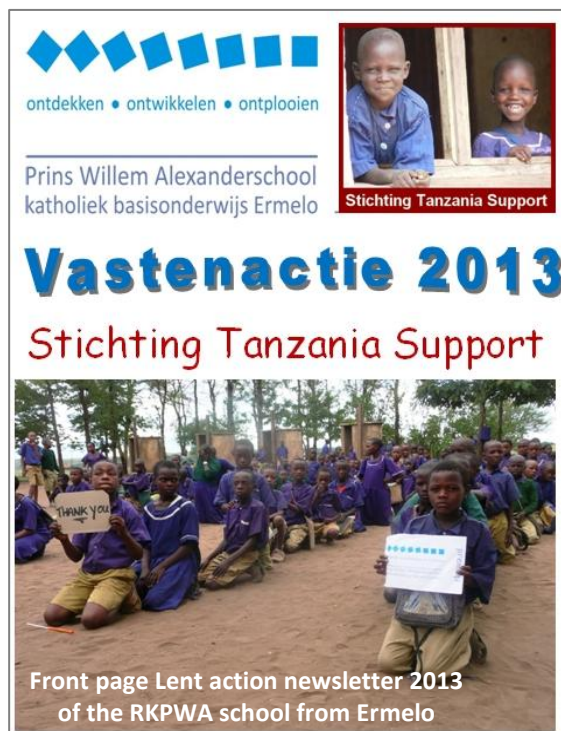
Tanzania Support has organized several nature tours in 2012, under the expert guidance of guides Gerard van Heiningen and Maas van de Ruitenbeek. A nice impression you can view [here](#).

You can contact us via info@tanzaniasupport.org for a date for your own group such as a birthday, business trip or school class.

Also, you can now make advance reservations for:

- *Dew bicycle safari*, guided by a nature guide on Ascension Day 2013: Thursday, May 9, departure is at 6.00 am, participation € 7.50 pp, breakfast at the gathering point hotel restaurant De Vossenbergh in Vierhouten for € 12.50 pp extra. Bike rental is possible on request.
- *Information evening about the roe deer*, Thursday 27 April, starting at 19.30, in Wildschuur Nieuwland at the Hogeweg 29 in Elspeet, participation is € 10 pp, which includes coffee / tea.

- *Treasure hunt on horseback* (you have to bring your own horse), Saturday, April 13, half a day in the woods and on the moors around Elspeet / Gortel / Vierhouten, in pairs of 2, participation € 12.50 pp, from 16 years of age.



Donations

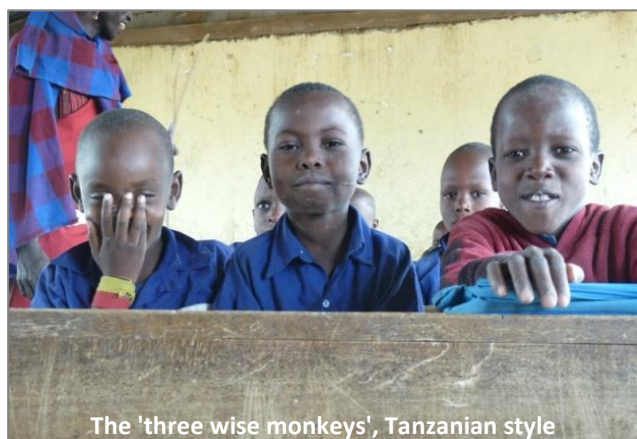
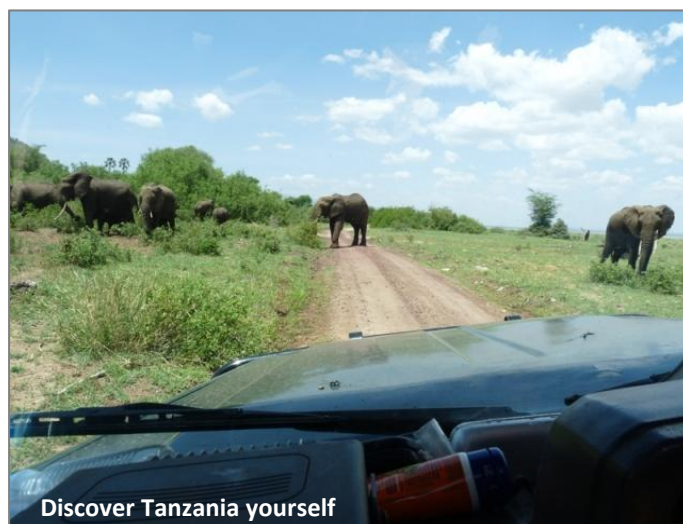
Tanzania Support is very happy with the donations that reached her during the last period, including:

- Sale of Maasai souvenirs at a Christmas Fair;
- Christmas market at the Montessori Lyceum Flevoland;
- Wedding Gift 50th wedding anniversary couple Jeremiasse;
- Proceeds from sale of secondhand clothing;
- Donation Recyclingshop Putten (www.kringloopovernodig.nl);
- Individual gifts and monthly donations from regular donors.

At present, the students of primary school in Ermelo RKPWA are busy with their annual Lent, the proceeds will be for facilities at their 'fellow' school in Mbaash.

Trips to Tanzania, with a visit to Selela

Last month, a group of 10 people, guided by Swahili Teacher Cynthia de Beer, went to Tanzania on a low budget camping trip. Besides Selela tropical rainforest, safari and beach were visited. The planned photo trip for December 2012 unfortunately didn't have enough interest.



Upcoming June, Tanzania Support will be travelling with a group of 6 people, the program is fully adapted to the wishes of the participants.

We also like to do this for you, in the period that you wish, with a program according to your taste and budget! Inquire about the possibilities via info@tanzaniasupport.org.