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Brick by Brick Malawi – Mwanani Primary School update

Dear all supporters and friends,

A very quick update on the school progress: The fourth and final building is now in place but there are still some finishing touches required – remaining furniture, paint jobs, equipping the teacher's house, brick walkways for the rainy season etc.

Bruce & Karin will visit the school in February/March 2016 and we plan to spend some time making sure all is in order before officially declaring the project finished. We will also bring some books and materials which are not available locally.

We will definitely be sending pictures with our final newsletter after our visit.

Given that so many projects of a similar kind founder after completion we have been encouraged by the fact that there have been many local initiatives taken during the construction phase on this project: a cement foundation around the water tap has been constructed, pit latrines have been built using left-over materials and trees has been planted, encircling the school property. The village has also had the responsibility for acquiring teachers and enrolling pupils. All of this shows a sense of ownership which we think is essential for the continued operation of the school. Also, the fact that there are over 120 pupils now is a promising sign.

Thank you for all of your support.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Bob, Bruce & Karin.

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