



## Who we are

Classrooms for Malawi is a charity founded in 2012 by a group of Scottish individuals with a passion for Malawi.

## Our Mission

Classrooms for Malawi's mission is to alleviate poverty through education. We believe that education offers the most sustainable route out of poverty. To educate is to arm children against malnutrition, infant mortality and diseases. A child born to a mother who can read is 50% more likely to survive past the age of 5. Yet in Malawi, there is a deficit of over 42,000 classrooms with children learning outdoors or in crumbling buildings.

We work to eradicate this and in line with goal number one of the Millennium Development Goals that talks about eradicating extreme hunger and poverty, the National Education Sector Plan (NESP), National Education Standards and the National Reading Programme (NRP). We improve schools throughout Malawi so that children should learn in a safe and conducive environment. We do this by either building new classroom blocks or renovating dilapidated but repairable ones. We also provide teaching and learning materials like text books, exercise books and writing materials. Where we have built or renovated hostels, we have provided beds and mattresses like at Chihame CDSS in Nkhata Bay and Ngumbe CDSS in Blantyre Rural.

With the coming of COVID-19, we have started addressing School Health for us to effectively achieve our objective. We are therefore taking new initiatives as follows:

- Provision of hand washing materials (See appendix)
- Construction and repair of toilets
- Provision of sanitary pads to girls in Partnership with Wildhearts and Micro Loan Finance, at three pilot Blantyre Rural Primary Schools as follows: Chilandepa, Lirangwe and Chisenjere :

	School Name	TOTAL
1	Lirangwe	440
2	Chilandepa	107
3	Chisenjere	132
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>679</b>

Before providing the sanitary pads, the girls will undergo a menstrual hygiene training programme. They will be taught about the reproductive system, puberty, menstruation circle, care and use of the Days for Girls Pads (See prog),

Why the pads are being provided

- Some Rural girls cannot afford sanitary pads as a result they absent themselves from school when menstruating
- Those that force themselves to come to school learn uncomfortably as they are afraid of soiling themselves
- Promoting personal hygiene
- Since the sanitary pads are reusable they are cost effective

When providing the sanitary pads, learning materials will also be provided courtesy of Wildhearts as follows:

#	Name of School	SUMMARY ENROLMENT																		
		STD 1		STD 2		STD 3		STD 4		STD 5		STD 6		STD 7		STD 8		B	G	TT
		B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G			
	Blantyre Rural																			
1	Lirangwe	126	130	165	148	157	178	139	132	121	134	102	120	109	149			919	991	1910
2	Chilandepa	31	28	23	31	35	38	41	28	29	26	29	34	22	14			210	199	409
3	Chisenjere	109	115	97	82	102	72	84	96	56	91	87	104	31	48			566	608	1144
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>302</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>373</b>			<b>1,695</b>	<b>1,798</b>	<b>3553</b>

Why are the writing materials are being provide?

- Some learners come to school without neither a pencil, pen nor note book and cannot write notes nor assignments.
- Psychologically, this affects them and eventually has a negative impact on their learning

### Our model of working

To effectively achieve our goal we work side-by-side with Malawian educational stakeholders like local communities, District Education Managers, teachers and local government authorities: they identify schools in dire need of improved infrastructure as enshrined in their School Improvement plans (SIPs) that give rise to District Education Development Plans (DEPs). We employ local tradesmen and use locally sourced materials to construct classrooms.

Working in Scotland and Malawi with volunteers, schools, businesses, community groups, local authorities and other charities, Classrooms for Malawi, since our inception



in 2012, has done 212 works. We have built 58 new classrooms and 1 new hostel besides renovating 154 classrooms and 7 hostels. 10 out of the 58 new classrooms have been built at nursery schools. We have worked in Blantyre (rural and urban); Mulanje, Mzimba North, Dedza, Chiradzulu, Mwanza, Nkhata Bay and Zomba.

Since we work with other charities, school groups, other community groups and businesses in Scotland that raise money for specific projects, they sometimes travel to Malawi to work on the projects and meet their Malawian partners. We believe in reciprocal partnership and see all of our relationships as two-way partnerships between Malawi and Scotland. We also carry out construction or renovation works which do not involve teams travelling to Malawi and work year round to provide dynamic, safe learning environments. Our goal is to take children out of poverty through education.

Data of sites since 2012								
Region	Division	District	School	Renovated	New	Year		Funder
Southern	South West							
	1	BT Urban						
		1	Misesa PS	4	3	2012-14		
		2	Kachere		3	2017-18	Nursery	Noreen Davies Hikers and Bikers
		3	Kachere Nur		3	2014-15		
		4	Nyambadwe PS	4		2015-16		Whitehill Secondary School
			Nyambadwe PS	4		2019		Whitehill Secondary School
		5	Bangwe Nursery		4	2018		Singh Family
				12	13			
	2	BT Rural						
		1	Mang'omba	4		2012-13		
		2	Chisenjere	6	3	2013-14		
			Chisenjere	3		2019		
		3	Ngumbe CDSS	5		2013-14	Hostels	Bearsden Academy
			Ngumbe CDSS	2		2019	Hostels	Bearsden Academy
		4	Katete PS	6		2013-14		Kilsyth Boys Brigade
			Katete PS	4		2015-16		Kilsyth Boys Brigade
			Katete PS		3			Kilsyth Boys Brigade
		5	Michiru PS	6	3	2014-15		

			Michiru PS	7		2018		Renfrew High School
		6	Namitsitsi PS	2		2014-15		Well Foundation
			Namitsitsi PS	2		2016-17		Well Foundation
		7	William PS		3	2016-17		Renfrewshire Building Services employees
		8	William		3	2017-18	Nursery	Renfrewshire Building Services employees
					3	2019		Renfrewshire Building Services employees
		9	Chilangoma PS		2	2016-17		
		10	Lirangwe PS	7	3	2015-16	Plus SNE Room	
		11	Chilandepa PS		2	2017-18		
		12	Ntondoko	2	2	2019		St Margarets
		13	Mlambe 1	2		2020		
		14	Ntenjera PS	2		2020		
				<b>60</b>	<b>27</b>			
	<b>3</b>	Mwanza						
		1	Mpira	4	2	2016-17		St Magarets Academy
				<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>			
	<b>Shire Highlands</b>							
	<b>4</b>	Mulanje						
		1	Namulenga PS	6		2012-13		
			Namulenga PS	3		2013-14		St Bernadette's parish
			Namulenga PS			2014-15	Roof Rep	St Bernadette's parish

			Namulenga PS		1	2015-16	SNE Room	St Bernadette's parish
		2	Pasani PS	6		2015-16		Dunblane Boys Brigade
				9	2	2019		Dunblane Boys Brigade
		3	Nansato PS	12		2015-16		Dunblane Boys Brigade
		4	Nansomba CDSS	4		2015-16		Lenzie Academy
		5	Lauderdale	2		2020		
				<b>42</b>	<b>3</b>			
	5	Chiradzulu						
		1	Bright Future		2		Nursery	Classrooms for Malawi
					<b>2</b>			
	<b>South East</b>							
	6	Zomba						
		1	Naming'azi	6		2014-15		Bannockburn Secondary School
			Naming'azi		2	2014-17		Bannockburn Secondary School
				<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>			
<b>Central</b>								
	<b>Central West</b>							
	7	Dedza						
		1	Dzenza	4		2013-14	Repainted 2017	Glennifer High School
			Dzenza	5		2015-16		Glennifer High School
			Dzenza	3		2018		Glennifer High School
		2	Chitowo		4	2016-2017	and offices	Malawi Community Hubs

				12	4			
<b>Northern</b>								
	<b>Northern</b>							
	8	Mzimba North						
		1	Ekwendeni PS	4		2013-14		Williamwood High School
			Ekwendeni PS	14		2015-16		Williamwood High School
			Ekwendeni PS		3	2018		Williamwood High School
		2	Econgongweli		2	2013-14	Nursery	Chesney Trust
				18	5			
	9	NkhataBay						
		1	Chihame CDSS				1 Hostel	Cardinal Hume High School
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>32</b>		<b>154</b>	<b>58</b>			
				<b>212</b>			<b>1 New hostel 7 Renovated Hostels</b>	<b>16 Pit latrines</b>

**Summary:** Been to 9 districts and 32 Schools

New classrooms built: 58

Renovated Classrooms: 154

New Hostels: 1

Renovated Hostels: 7

New Pit Latrines 16

Renovated Pit Latrines: 2 blocks

**SCHOOLS PROVIDED WITH HAND WASHING MATERIALS BY CLASSROOMS FOR MALAWI**

South West Div					
	Edu District	School	50 ltrs Tap Buckets	Basins	Ufresh Soap Tablets
1	BT Urban				
	1	Misesa PS	10	10	90
	2	Kachere Nursery	5	5	90
	3	Nyambadwe PS	10	10	90
	4	Bangwe Nursery	5	5	90
			<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>360</b>
2	BT Rural				
	1	Mang'omba	10	10	90
	2	Chisenjere	10	10	90
	3	Ngumbe CDSS	10	10	90
	4	Ntenjera CDSS	10	10	90
	5	Katete PS	10	10	90
	6	Ntenjera Primary	10	10	90
	7	Michiru PS	10	10	90
	8	Namitsitsi PS	10	10	90
	9	Kanyetedza PS	10	10	90
	10	Chilangoma PS	10	10	90
	11	Lirangwe PS	10	10	90
	12	Chilandepa PS	10	10	90
	13	Mlambe 1	10	10	90
	14	Ntondoko	10	10	90
	15	William Nursery	5	5	90
			<b>145</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>1350</b>
3	Mwanza				
	1	Mpira	10	10	90
			<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>Shire Highlands</b>					
4	Mulanje				
	1	Namulenga Girls PS	10	10	90
	2	Namulenga Boys	8	8	90
	3	Pasani PS	10	10	90
	4	Lauderdale PS	10	10	90



	5	Nansato PS	10	10	90
	6	Namulenga CDSS	10	10	90
	7	Nansomba CDSS	10	10	90
			<b>68</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>630</b>
<b>5</b>	Chiradzulu				
	1	Masalani CDSS	10	10	90
	2	Bright Future Nursery	5	5	90
			<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>180</b>
<b>South East</b>					
6	Zomba				
	1	Naming'azi PS	10	10	90
			<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>Central West</b>					
7	Dedza				
	1	Dzenza PS	10	10	90
	2	Chitowo PS	10	10	90
			<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>180</b>
<b>Northern</b>					
8	Mzimba North				
	1	Ekwendeni PS	10	10	90
	2	Econgongweli Nursery	5	5	90
			<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>180</b>
9	NkhataBay				
	1	Chihame CDSS	10	10	90
			<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35 Schs</b>		<b>323</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>3150</b>