



Dunblane Likhubula Partnership - Mary's Meals Appeal

The picture on the card is Nansato Primary School, a vital part of the Dunblane Likhubula Partnership, which links Dunblane with a community in Malawi.

Families in Likhubula plant maize in December and harvest it in April. This becomes the family's main source of food. For the past three years, the rains and the harvests have failed and in our visits we have seen the effects on the school children. Last May, there were 1,200 children enrolled at Nansato School. By October, the numbers had dropped by 300. Children were too weak for the walk to school or to concentrate in class. Others were foraging for food for the family.

The Dunblane Likhubula Partnership has formed an alliance with Mary's Meals (part of Scottish International Relief) to start a feeding programme in the school. SIR already feed some 50,000 children in Malawi. This is a three-way link. Mary's Meals provide the kitchen, start-up equipment and regular supplies of high protein food. Local ladies do the daily cooking and serving. This appeal will provide the finance. It costs around £5 to feed a child for a year. If 2,000 people gave £12 each this would cover the costs of starting and running the scheme for the next three years. However, gifts of all sizes are welcomed. Any surplus will be used to extend Mary's Meals to other schools in the area.

Donations can be made direct to Mary's Meals with the attached form, using Direct Debit and Gift Aid where appropriate. Thank you for your support. This is a very direct way of making a difference in Africa.

For further information see www.dunblanelikhubulalink.org.uk and www.SIRcharity.org