

# CONNECTED KIDS!



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Newsletter of School Connect

A Christian charity linking schools in Kent and Uganda

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

School Connect has lots of new surprises to offer you in 2011



INTRODUCING OUR NEW SCHOOLS WORKER...

## MATT ANDERSON

*Hello There! My name is Matt and I am the new School Connect Schools Worker. It is my job to help you to keep in touch with your School in Uganda and to share with you, some of the things that your Ugandan School has been learning about. I will also be visiting assemblies and running workshops for you on lots of different topics and bringing an Ugandan feel to some of your learning. I am really excited to be starting work with School Connect and I am looking forward to meeting some of you in the near future.*

## SELLING SCHOOL'S FABULOUS FUNDRAISING!

The year 6 children at Selling School near Faversham raised over £200 for School Connect by selling necklaces made by Ugandan women at their playground jumble sale. The money will go towards funding some much-needed training for teachers in our Ugandan schools.

Well done Selling School!

## DID YOU KNOW...

"Happy new year!" in Luganda, the national language of Uganda, is "N'omwaka Omujaa Ogwemirembe!"



## ALL-NEW WEBSITE GOES LIVE!

Our BRAND NEW WEBSITE goes online on 16th Feb 2011. There will be loads of information about Uganda, plus regular updates and photos from your link schools. Check it out!

## DOES THIS LOOK FAMILIAR?

Just before Christmas, we visited all of the link schools in Uganda delivering your Christmas messages and projects. We took some books and games from England to share with the children in the schools, and they enjoyed them just as much as you do!

Can you recognise the book that the children of Olwelai Primary school are reading in this picture?



# WONDERFUL WILDLIFE!

Lots of you said that you wanted to know more about the weird and wonderful wildlife of Uganda. Here are a few more bugs and beasts for you to unscramble...



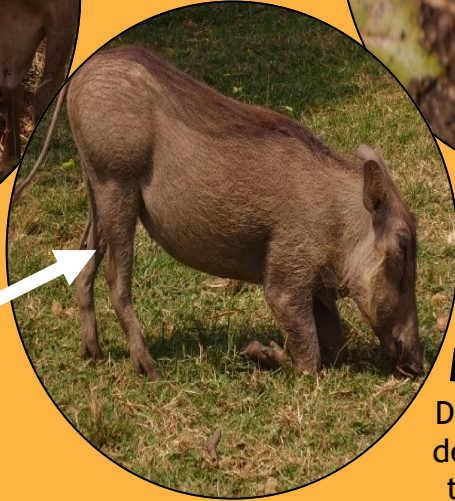
## EDNR

These animals are used by farmers for pulling ploughs



## GNUD LEEETSB

These little bugs have a rather grubby habit!



## RAGTHOWS

The most famous one of these has got to be Pumba from Disney's *The Lion King*!



## PLEENATH

Did you know that despite the size of their ears, these animals have very poor hearing?

## WHAT ON EARTH?!



As well as wildlife, Uganda has a wide variety of crops and plant life which don't grow here in England.

Sugar, cocoa, mangoes and cassava are among the many foods which are grown and eaten all over Uganda. The picture here shows another well-known crop... can you guess what it is?

*Answer: Coffee beans*

## Stay in touch...

Have you done something in school you would like to see in the next edition of **CONNECTED KIDS?** Send in your photos, stories, comments or questions. We love to hear from you!

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## NEWSFLASH...

Dave Stedman (SC chairman) has just come back from a visit to Uganda. He was checking up on Kiswa Community School in Kampala, linked with Kingsmead Primary School Canterbury, who have just received laptops and IT training courtesy of South East Health Ltd. They will shortly be having clean water and electricity installed, which will greatly improve the health and educational opportunities for all the children at the school.



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