



# Isaac's House Newsletter

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## About Isaac's House



Isaac's House has a vision to provide homes for children in Uganda affected by war, HIV and poverty. We create safe, sustainable environments in which health, education and growth can be achieved.

Isaac's House began in 2008, when our founder member Paul Howells and a group of trades people and other volunteers from Merseyside travelled to Uganda to build the first orphanage 'James Dunn House of Hope'. Isaac's House now has a second orphanage and the Isaac's House family continues to grow thanks to our supporters and sponsors. Currently Isaac's House supports twenty-two children.

## Latest News

### Mersey Tunnel 10K fundraising success!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Mersey Tunnel 10k in June. The day was a huge success and the turnout was brilliant. The total raised from the event is an incredible **£6500!** All the money raised will go towards the children Isaac's House support and help put big smiles on little faces!

### School results for 2nd Term

Well done to all the children completing their end of term 2 exams. The children are now in their last term for the academic year, finishing in November with a two month holiday! All the children said they really enjoy reading and they have read from cover to cover all the books currently at the orphanage, so any paperback books you would like to donate to Isaac's House will go to a good home! We also are always in need of stationery, such as pens, rulers, pencils! For more information on ways to help and support us, please e-mail [isaacs.house@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:isaacs.house@hotmail.co.uk).

### New Website!

This October Isaac's House launched their new website thanks to the help from Igo Website Design. The website will have all the information about the charity, the children we support, latest news and updates from the UK and Uganda and upcoming fundraising events! On the website there will be lots of photographs and video's and ways to support our charity.

Please also 'Like' our new facebook page [www.facebook.com/isaacshousecharity](http://www.facebook.com/isaacshousecharity).

# The Isaac's House Family...

## Fred

The housemother at James Dunn House of Hope orphanage brought to the attention of Isaac's House a local boy. The housemother noticed the boy was not going to school and always looked hungry and alone.

During a trip to Uganda the founder of Isaac's House Paul Howells saw Fred, and the conditions where he was living.



Fred was living with his father, near the orphanage, in what can only be described as a shed, as shown in the photograph above. Fred didn't know his full name, or how old he was. Fred told us, during the day he didn't go to school as his father wouldn't pay school fees so he spent his days roaming around looking for food. In the evenings, Fred's father would lock him inside whilst he went drinking.

Fred would have to walk to the nearby village to go to the toilet, and would have to fetch water from a nearby stream for bathing. When we asked Fred whether he would like regular food, or to go to school – he answered school, as he wants to be a pilot.

When meeting Fred's father, he asked for our help, explaining he couldn't care for Fred. He told us Fred's full name and his birthday, 1<sup>st</sup> January 2004. Fred's father was very pleased Fred would be living at James Dunn of Hope and beginning school. When leaving his father's place Fred brought to the orphanage all his belongings, just 2 tops and some shorts. Arriving at the orphanage all the children welcomed Fred and each gave him an item of their clothing. The children helped Fred learn to wash himself properly in the showers, use the toilets, wash his clothes and began teaching him how to write and speak English. Fred mostly enjoyed sleeping in a bed for the first time!

Fred has a place to call home, regular meals every day, an education and the best start in life. The children have welcomed Fred into James Dunn House of Hope and he is now a very happy boy!



# Recent Fundraising Events

## Hot pot supper and band night!

Committee member Hayley Gilroy held a hotpot supper and band night in the Gild Hall in Formby, on 19th October where an evening of food, drinks, friends and live music by the amazing band, Me & My Cousin was enjoyed by all. The night raised an incredible **£2000** and would not have been possible without the support of every who came, and the local business' who helped make the event happen.

## Photograph Moments

Every night before the children have their tea, they sing and dance all together. They really enjoy it as you can see from this photograph! Simon and his older brother Lawrence are playing the drums here. Don't they all look so happy?!



# Support Isaac's House Charity

**There are numerous ways to support Isaac's House charity:**

- Sponsor a child to live for £5 a month as a regular monthly donation
- Sponsor a child for £20 a month and for your generous support you will receive letters and photographs from your sponsored child
- Donations can be made online on our Just Giving website, [www.justgiving.com/isaacshouse](http://www.justgiving.com/isaacshouse)
- Come along to our fundraising events (as listed above) or hold your own fundraising events!
- Volunteer your skills to help with the daily running of the charity!
- Any old clothes, items to sell, paperback books? Isaac's House are always looking to hold car boot sales, or take out to Uganda for our children and staff and we are happy to collect!
- Collect stamps for Isaac's House!

**Each year Isaac's House charity take to Uganda wrapped birthday books and birthday cards for all the children. We will soon be taking these out ready for 2013. If you have any paperback books that look new, or would like to donate towards purchasing these books, or buy some books for the children, please get in touch! Thank you very much.**

## Contacts

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