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Welcome to the first edition of the StareheFuture Appeal Newsletter!

We officially launched the Appeal in July, and you can read all about what we have been up to in Kenya and the UK since then, below.

BREAKING NEWS!

We are very pleased to announce that the StareheFuture Appeal has been selected as one of the benefiting charities for The Daily Telegraph's Christmas Appeal 2009! This opportunity will not only help raise vital funds for Starehe, but the increased awareness will also give a massive boost to the success of our Appeal.

We are absolutely thrilled and would like to thank all those who helped make it happen.

Meanwhile, please tell all your friends and encourage them to support us and follow our story via the Telegraph over the next few months. If you would like to be kept informed of when our articles will appear, just send us an [email](#) now and we will notify you a day or two before.

Kenyan government urges other Kenyan schools to follow the Starehe example

Speaking at the 50th Founders' Day celebrations at Starehe Boys' Centre on 18th July, President Kibaki commended the 'unwavering discipline' and 'virtues of personal responsibility and integrity' that have made Starehe into the internationally acclaimed institution it is today, urging schools throughout Kenya to emulate the successful Starehe model for the greater good of the country.

Starehe alumni celebrate their 50th Anniversary with a Fundraising Dinner in London

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If you would like more information about the work that we do please don't hesitate to **contact Lucy**:
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President Kibaki and Starehe UK Chairman Paul Whitehouse during presentations at the 50th Founder's Day celebrations in Nairobi, July 2009



Starehe UK Trustee Lawrence Mbugua and guests at our Fundraising Dinner, July 2009



Here in the UK we were lucky enough to be able to celebrate the Golden Jubilee twice – and we started off on 18th July with a great crowd of former students, known as 'Old Boys', travelling to London from all over the country to celebrate. We would like to thank HR Mr Muchemi, Kenyan High Commissioner, and Mrs Muchemi for their attendance and words of support. Our thanks also go to Glaziers' Hall for their loan of the premises free of charge, and to all those who donated raffle prizes on the night. With their generosity we were able to raise funds that could provide free places for at least two students for a whole year!

StareheFuture Appeal officially launched in London

On 21st July we celebrated the Golden Jubilee with a Champagne Reception at Shell Centre, very generously hosted by James Smith, Chairman of Shell UK. Our guest of honour was HRH The Princess Royal - a long-term supporter and admirer of Starehe - who made an excellent speech on the night, along with Joseph Warungu, a Starehe alumnus, Head of African News and Current Affairs at the BBC.

This event was a particularly significant occasion as it marked the official launch of the StareheFuture Appeal in the presence of old and new friends of Starehe, and the challenge to reach our £10 million target begins!

Musicians from Starehe Girls' Centre perform in Macclesfield

In September the Martyn Donaldson Music Trust (MDMT) brought six girls to the UK from Starehe Girls' Centre to perform at an annual charity concert in Macclesfield. The concert was a great success and a brilliant display of the girls' musical talent, which was enjoyed by the audience of Starehe alumni, music volunteers past and present, and members of the wider Macclesfield community.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat

The students at Starehe Boys' and Girls' Centres kicked off the Golden Jubilee celebrations at the beginning of the month with their very own performance of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat in Nairobi. Not only were the performances an excellent showcase of the talent and hard work the students are famous for, but the morals encapsulated by Joseph's story also embody the culture and ethos for which the schools are famous.

Click [here](#) to read the article that appeared in the national Kenyan newspaper Daily Nation on 1st July.

James Smith, Chairman of Shell UK and HRH The Princess Royal arrive at our Golden Jubilee Champagne Reception, July 2009



Joseph Warungu, Starehe alumnus, talks to guests about his time at Starehe, July 2009



Starehe Girls, Starehe UK Trustee Ronnie Onyango (seated) and Starehe Girls Music Teacher Franklin Etyang after the MDMT concert in Macclesfield, September 2009



Starehe Boys and Girls perform Joseph and the Technicolour Dreamcoat at Starehe Boys' Centre, July 2009



Good luck and thank you to our 9 runners!

The StareheFuture Appeal will be represented in the first ever Brighton Marathon, 2010

On Sunday 18th April 2010 Brighton will be hosting its first ever marathon. The StareheFuture Team will be made up of nine intrepid runners, who are already training for this epic 26-miler!

If you think you might be interested in participating in a similar challenge - click [here](#) to contact Lucy now.

On behalf of the Starehe Boys' and Girls' Centres, the StareheFuture Appeal would like to thank you for your support during our first few months of existence.

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Our special thanks go to the following supporters whose recent contributions have got the Appeal off to a flying start: **The Band Trust; Barclays Bank Plc; The Dulverton Trust; The Fiona Hayden-Tebbett Trust, HSBC Holdings Ltd;** and last but not least to **Lawrence Lockhart** for his fabulous fundraising efforts in his sponsored walk last month.

We would also like to thank a number of other private donors and Trusts who wish to remain anonymous.

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