



The Manor
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

To Parents of children in Years 3 - 6

30 April 2010

Dear Y3-Y6 Parents

I am writing to let you know about an innovative fund-raising event.

Fiona Rushbrook, an ex Manor pupil, currently in her second year at Cambridge, will be part of a team that travels to Kenya for 10 weeks this summer. She will be working under the umbrella of Kenya Education Partnerships, a charity that supports disadvantaged schools in the Kisii region of South-West Kenya. Kisii is a rural area with poor infrastructure and numerous, often isolated and inadequately resourced schools. A combination of poverty and the high number of orphans result in irregular fee collection, and subsequently the schools cannot afford even basic resources or staff to service the national curriculum.

The KEP trains a team of student Project Workers; Fiona will be one of the trainees. Only sustainable resources are purchased, such as books, science equipment, furniture and sports equipment. Fiona is keen to buy school books for the students. Fiona says "I believe strongly in the power of education and that access to it is a very fundamental human right".

We would like to invite all the children in Year 3 - Year 6 to purchase a book insert on which they can write a friendly message, a poem or draw a picture. Fiona will stick the inserts into the books she buys before presenting them to the Kenyan school.

The inserts will be available to buy from the library from Tuesday 4th May for £2 or £3, a collection box will be in place. They should be returned to the library by half term.

I will present the completed inserts to Fiona on 9th June when she comes to school to tell the children more about her forthcoming trip to Kenya.

I am certain the girls will be moved to support this venture and I thank you yet again for your kind generosity.

Yours sincerely

Lesley Evans