

## Helpachild Development Timeline

2020 **100 children in school and 6 young people in college.**

School closed in March due to Corona Virus.

School reopened in August, observing and adhering to the Government Health Protocols.

2019 **100 children in school and 6 young people in college.**

Launch of new website.

2018 **100 children in school and 6 young people in college.**

During his visit to Liberia Father Sam delivered a private donation to the school in Grand Cess to enable them to have much needed new desks and chairs made.

2017 **100 children in school, 6 young people in college and funding for 2 children with additional needs.**

**The St Augustine's confirmation group raised money for Help a Child Africa.**

2016 **100 children in school, 6 young people in college and funding for 4 children with additional needs.**

**RISE Theatre performed their White Rabbit play at King's Church Amersham and the proceeds of the evening were donated to Help a Child Africa and Rope.**

Better communications with Grandcess meant that information was more accessible e.g. photos of the students funded by Help a Child Africa.

2015 Liberia was declared Ebola-free in May. School re-opened after the summer holiday.

**100 children in school, 8 young people in college and funding for 4 children with additional needs.**

**RISE Theatre performed their White Rabbit play at Immaculate Heart of Mary church Great Missenden and the proceeds of the evening were donated to Help a Child Africa.**

**A primary school in Gravesend raised money for Help a Child Africa after hearing about the charity from their parish priest who used to be at St. Edmund Campion.**

**Lenten lunches in Great Missenden also raised money for the charity.**

**The St Augustine's confirmation group raised money for Help a Child Africa.**

2014 **100 children in school, 8 young people in college and funding for 4 children with additional needs.**

School closed in October because of Ebola, Help a Child Africa took the decision to continue paying the teachers a retainer.

2013 **100 children in school, 8 young people in college and funding for 4 children with additional needs.**

2012 **110 children in school, 8 young people in college and funding for 4 children with additional needs.**

St. Edmund Campion church closed and the "Final Big Bash BBQ" raised funds for Help a Child.

2011 **125 children in school, 6 young people in college and funding for 4 children with additional needs.**

An African Evening was held at St. Edmund Campion church, Hazlemere to update supporters on the work of the charity with a demonstration by acrobats and lovely African food!

Visit to England by the then in-country representative Father Sarius. He was interviewed about the school and life in Liberia and the interview was posted by way of a question a day on the Help a Child Facebook page.

We had our first, now annual, mulled wine and mince pie stall at the Blessed John Henry Newman parish and St. Augustine's Christmas Bazaar - raising awareness with a bit of fundraising.

Self-funded, fact-finding visit by trustees lap top computers taken out in response to a request as IT skills are very necessary to obtain employment.

We signed-up to receive money for recycling old mobile phones and ink cartridges.

2010 **140 children in school, 6 young people in college and the introduction of funding for 4 children with additional needs in Monrovia.**

An African Evening was held at St. Edmund Campion church, Hazlemere to update supporters on the work of the charity and with a demonstration by Rwandan dancers and lovely African food!

2 supporters undertook to walk the Thames Path in aid of Help a Child Africa and 2 other supporters undertook a half marathon dressed as the Super Mario Brothers! in aid of Help a Child Africa.

Help a Child Africa Facebook page launched.

Help a Child Africa signed up to Easyfundraising, a way for supporters to raise money for the charity when shopping online.

2009 **150 children in school and 4 young people in college.**

Help a Child Africa became independent of St. Augustine's and was registered with the Charity Commission.

Self-funded, fact-finding visit to Liberia by trustees.

2008 155 children in school and introduction of the scheme of funding 2 of the highest achievers through college each year.

Self-funded, fact-finding visit to Liberia.

2007 159 children in school in Grandcess funded by Help a Child Africa.

2006 Self-funded, fact-finding visit to Liberia.

Container sent to Liberia, Help a Child Africa charity born, donations handled by St. Augustine's church, High Wycombe.