



Schools for SALONE

January-June 2016 report

-OUR MISSION-

To revitalize communities, empower children and teachers, and ultimately improve socioeconomic conditions for families, communities, and future generations

Message from Cindy

Una Kushe-o!

Thanks to YOUR generous support, 2016 has gotten off to a busy start for our 23 school communities in Sierra Leone! Programme for Children is putting the finishing touches on the remaining rainwater collection handwashing stations and upgraded latrines at our schools; our reproductive health/self-defense/menstruation kit delivery has been completed at our schools in the north and western areas; and teachers from all our schools have participated in literacy training workshops held by The Learning Foundation and PEN-SL.

In July, Cindy and Natalie head to Sierra Leone to officially open our new library in Mamboma, visit our schools and meet with partners on the ground. We promise to bring back lots of photos and stories to share with YOU who have made all we do possible!

We have much more to come in 2016. Please contact Natalie at natalie@schoolsforalone.org to learn more about how you can get involved and sign up for our monthly newsletter updates. And, as always, our success depends on YOU! Please give as generously as you can: <http://schoolsforalone.org/donate-new>

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So far in 2016:

- New projects in North
- Handwashing stations
- Education for All soccer field
- Learning materials distribution
- Literacy assessment
- The Learning Foundation teacher training
- PEN-SL teacher training
- Days for Girls kit distribution
- After school remedial reading program for girls



Meet Natalie! We are thrilled to have Natalie join our Sfs team as our new Chief Operating Officer. Natalie began volunteering with us as an intern in 2014. After recently completing her Master's degrees in Public Administration and International Studies, Schools for Salone has hired her to work alongside Cindy in the daily operations of Schools for Salone. Having her on board is expanding our capacity and impact helping kids in Sierra Leone.

Education Access

new projects

SfS and PFC have done an initial site visit and started the construction of two new schools the in Bafodia chiefdom in the north of Sierra Leone.



handwashing stations

We are working to finish the rainwater collection handwashing stations at all of our schools.



Education for All

This year we have been hard at work installing a soccer field for the students the Kei Kamara/Mike Lahoud school.



Education Quality

learning materials

PFC staff delivered learning materials to our schools.



literacy assessment & teacher training

The Learning Foundation conducted literacy assessments in 5 of our schools and used the results for literacy training for 12 of our teachers. The training focused on sounds, comprehension, drawing and reading at primary levels 1-3.



PEN-SL teacher training

PEN-SL trained 2 class 4-6 teachers from each of our schools on how to teach with the PEN books.



Girls Programs

Days for Girls kits

This year we started distributing Days for Girls menstruation kits and conducting reproductive health and self-defense education in our schools. PFC social workers conducted the first session with kit distribution at CIC and EFA schools, and have since expanded to Robis, Makali, Maforeka, and Masanga.

So far we have distributed over 100 kits to girls and teachers in our schools. The reception of the kits and the curriculum has been very enthusiastic. The only limiting factor to how fast this amazing resource is spreading is how fast we can get kits to Sierra Leone!



remedial reading program

We have partnered with The Learning Foundation to provide after school remedial reading programs for girls. TLF has started the program in 3 JSS schools.



You make it all happen! Through your generous support, you are helping empower students and teachers in Sierra Leone, providing hope and making dreams come true!

Please give as generously as you can so together we can continue to improve access to quality education for children in Sierra Leone!